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U.S. Rebound Will Soon Gain Steam, The Fed Says

Skeptical Democrats Urge 'Other Methods' To Bolster the Economy

By Lawrence Malkin nal Herald Tribune

NEW YORK - Alan Greenspan on Tuesday offered Congress a mildly upbeat forecast from the Federal Reserve, saying that the U.S. economy would soon pick up speed.

But the Federal Reserve Board chairman was

immediately forced on the defensive by skeptical Democrats who interrupted and contradicted him in their eagerness to write a do-nothing election-year record for the Bush administration and the central bank.

Presenting his semiannual economic report to the Senate Banking Committee, Mr. Greenspan said the Fed'a consensus forecast for real economic growth this year averaged about 2.5 percent and for next year just about 3 percent, only slightly better than his last forecast for 1992, delivered in February, of about 2 percent.

But even before he began, Fed policy was stacked in an opening statement by Senator Donald W. Riegle Jr., the Michigan Democrat who led the hearing, demanding "other methods" instead of applying "the old-time economic medicine of strangling the money supply in the parise of fichting inflation." the name of fighting inflation."

Mr. Greenspan argued in his testimony that the greatest drag on the recovery was the huge overhang of debt inherited from the excesses of the 1980s, which meant that businesses and individuals had to divert cash from new investment to paying off their debts, and banks were more cautious in lending.

"This phenomenon is not unique to the United States," Mr. Greenspan said. "Similar adjustments have gripped Japan, Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom, and a number of Northern European countries," he said, noting that so far, the financial system had avoided the panies historically associated with such sudden collapses in stocks, real estate and other assets.

The chairman further defended the Fed by citing its record of 23 steps to bring interest rates down to the lowest levels in almost 30 years, but it anything, there was a hint that the Fed felt it had done enough and not that it was planning to ease further. Indeed, under questioning Mr. Greenspan said the present loose credit policy would be inappropriate when growth speeds up.

For financial markets, this amounted to virtually no news, and they reacted accordingly. As for the dollar, it was only toward the very end of the hearing that Mr. Greenspan was asked about the drop in the U.S. currency this spring or about the central bank currency intervention on Monday. He replied that in general he saw "no benefit" from a depreciating dollar. During his carlier silence on the subject, the dollar had

dnited down, and Mr. Greenspan's lukewarm statement did little to support it. As usual in the United States, international economic considerations were decidedly second-ary, and the Fed chairman was subject to an frequent interruption by Senator Riegle as he went into his peroration covering the domestic outlook, which had been approved by the board

"I expect that the economic expansion will soon gain momentum, which lower inflation should help to maintain," Mr. Greenspan said. "Although the economy is working its way through structural impediments to more vigor-

ous activity..." "If that's the punch line," interrupted Senator Riegle, who knew it was because he had an advance copy, "I'd like you to elaborate on that."

"I'd like to finish my statement," replied Mr. Greenspan, who did so and then elaborated that the process of drawing down business and personal debt was "now well beyond the halfway point," but still not far enough advanced to quicken the pace of recovery.

He continued: "We are looking at a phenom-

enon which we have not seen for half a century. This healing process, the repair of balance sheets, is moving ahead at a significant pace. When this happens, we will be looking at a much more normal economic structure." On Wall Street, one of the leading Fed watchers, David Jones of Aubrey Lanston &

Co., said that Mr. Greenspan had done "about as much as he can in easing short-term rates." The only problem is that no one knows, including the Fed chairman himself, when



this adjustment process is going to end and how much growth we're going to get next year," Mr. Jones said. "He was shocked at the midvear turn-Pound 1.9095 down, and now he's groping his way, as we are. The eco-Yen 125.10 ocunic tea leaves just don't 5.0225 work as they used to."



Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, left, responding to a question at news conference in Cairo on Tuesday with Egypt's president, Hosni Mubarak.

BA Lands an American Gateway in USAir Deal

By Erik Ipsen ernational Herald Tribune

LONDON - In a deal that could further increase competition on North Atlantic and American air routes, British Airways said Tuesday it would invest \$750 million in USAir Group to create what the companies billed as the biggest airline alliance in the world.

The deal is a long-sought triumph for Lord King. British Airway's chairman, who has made a goal of forging international alliances. Industry experts had long argued that without more short-hand routes to feed passengers into its lucrative long-haul flights, BA would be at an increasing disadvantage vis-à-vis its big new trans-Atlantic rivals, United, American and Delta

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Moldova Backs

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Moldova and Russia agreed

Tuesday to send a joint peace-

keeping force to stop fighting in the self-styled Duiester Re-public in Moldova and out-

lined guarantees for the future

In a political breakthrough,

Moldova agreed that the Slav-

dominated region could de-cide its own fate should Mol-

dova decide in the future to

unite with Romania. Fears of

such a union have been at the

root of the Dniester rebellion.

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This gives us more people to fly and that is bow we earn our living.

For USAir, the fourth-largest U.S. carrier that is saddled with nearly \$2 billion in debt, the alliance Combined, the two carriers handled nearly 80 milprovides needed cash and the international reach to lion passengers in 1991, which would rank them just compete with its bigger U.S. rivals.

The primary effect on the American market is that world the deal will "create a fourth major competitor in the nues. U.S. with a global scope," said USAir's executive vice president, Tom Lagow.

British Airways, one of the world's most profitable carriers, will invest \$750 million in USAir for a 44 percent equity stake and four seats on USAir's 16person board. Its voting rights will be limited to 21

"Our opportunity here is traffic," Lord King said.

This gives us more people to fly and that is bow we as other foreign shareholders pull out. Under U.S. law, foreigners are barred from holding in excess of a quarter of the voting rights in American airlines.

ahead of AMR Corp.'s American Airlines as the world's largest by both passengers carried and reve-

[UAL Corp.'s United Airlines reacted to the agreement by calling for greater access to the British market for U.S. carriers, Reuters reported from Chicago. "The British Airways-USAir proposal presents the Bush ad-

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New Illness Like AIDS Is Targeted

By Lawrence K. Altman New York Times Service

AMSTERDAM — United

States health officials issued a plea here Tuesday for doctors to report unusual cases of AIDS-like illness for which no evidence of the AIDS virus can be found. The aim is to intensify efforts to

determine whether such cases might be caused by a hitherto unknown agent and pose a public health threat, they said at an international conference on AIDS.

The officials emphasized the rarity of such cases, but they issued the plea in response to a small number of new case reports from U.S. and European scientists at the meeting. In such cases, no evidence of the two known AIDS viruses, HIV-1 and HIV-2, could be found.

Research efforts will focus on identifying the risk factors in the known cases, oumbering about 30, and to bunt for an agent as the cause. Although many men and women with the AIDS-like illness appear to share the same risk factors for AIDS, researchers said they have not been able to determine precisely what factors the cases have in common. Several groups are understood to have identified a possible agent, but no scientific papers have been pub-

Detecting such an agent would be the first step toward developing a test to detect cases in individuals and to screen blood for transfu-

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Mubarak Will Go To Israel in First Visit by Egyptian Leader Since '77

By Chris Hedges New York Times Service

CAIRO - President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, after meeting with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel for 90 minutes, accepted an invitation to visit Israel.

It would be the first trip to Israel by an Egyptian president since Anwar Sadat's dramatic journey to Jerusalem in November 1977. "Mr. Rabin invited me," Mr. Mubarak said. "But frankly speak-

ing, I oeed oo invitation. My response is positive to Mr. Rabin." The decision for the visit, although no date was announced, gives a significant boost to the efforts of Mr. Rabin to build bridges to the Arah world. It is seen here as a bold gamble hy an Arab leader who is usually noted for caution. President Mubarak refused to meet with Yitzhak Shamir when

Mr. Sadat, who signed a peace accord with Israel and was the only Egyptian head of state to visit Israwas shot and killed in 1981 by Muslim extremists opposed to peace with Israel.

the hard-liner was the Israeli prime

"I know that he generally sup-ports peace," President Mubarak "And I am very pleased with

Egypt is the only Arab nation that has signed a peace treaty with Israel, but relations turned distant and cold after the Israeli incursioo into Lebanon in 1982.

Egyptian newspapers have given little prominence to the visit by Mr.

The meeting here, which was the first between the Egyptian president and an Israeli prime minister in six years, was described as "informal" by both men. It was arranged with the purpose of helping find a general settlement of the Middle East conflict.

"We did not try to reach any agreement or understanding," Mr. Rabin said. "The purpose was to

try and exchange views."

"We spent a couple of hours ex-

only one week in office, we did not go through many details or ask for miracles. The Egyptian leader warned that

area. Bearing in mind Mr. Rabin is

the peace process would take time and that Arabs should be patient with the new Israeli prime minister. "Give him time." Mr. Mubarak

President Muharak praised Prime Minister Rabin's freeze on issuing licenses for new housing construction in the occupied lands but said he and the Arab world 'needed much more."

Mr. Mubarak also said that if the round of peace talks following those to be held in Rome within a few weeks were to be held in Cairo he "would oot object."

When an Egyptian journalist questioned Mr. Rabin about his country's refusal to abide by United Nations resolutions calling for a withdrawal of Israeli forces from the occupied territories, the prime minister launched into an impassioned appeal for an end to the conflict

The Middle East, all the comtries, all the people have seen too much blood, too much suffering, too much painful results of war and terror," be said.

"I believe the time has arrived to follow the example of Egypt and Israel, to help other countries, other peoples, to divert from war, from the course of confrontation and embark on the course of peace."

"I hope that the Madrid framework will produce results," he added, "We are determined to exploit it to the maximum. It depends on the other side."

The two leaders, who have met before, began the summit meeting by talking alone without sides in a room in the main Presidential Palace in the suburb of Heliopolis.

Mr. Rabin, escorted by Egyptian security forces in jeeps, laid a wreath at the tomb of President

Mr. Rabin then briefly visited changing views concerning the the only remaining synagogue in

peace process," said President Mu-barak, "which we consider very im-portant and vital for the whole 70 people.

Baker Mideast Tour Has Look of Farewell

By Thomas L. Friedman

White House. "There's the Baker-as-chief-of-staff rumor, the Baker-New York Times Service
DAMASCUS — Secretary of
State James A. Baker 3d's Middle
East shuttle has turned into the Jim Baker farewell tour.

In public, when Baker aides are asked whether the secretary will be leaving his job and moving to the White House to help oversee Mr. Bush's election campaign, they re-spond with poker-faced bromides, such as: "Baker? White House? Whatever gave you that idea?"

In private, though, the same officials, oot to mention U.S. diplomats from Tel Aviv to Damascus keep sidling up to reporters travel-ing with Mr. Baker and whispering: "Waddya bear? Waddya hear? Is he going to the campaign or oot?"

Only two people in Mr. Baker's entourage seem to know for sure about Mr. Baker's future status: Mr. Baker and his longtime aide and press spokesman, Margaret D. Tutwiler - and both of them have the same answer when asked about Mr. Baker's future: "I'm shut down on that question." Other senior State Department

officials are oot much more accommodating but in their case it is out of ignorance.

"Which rumor are you going with?" retorted a senior Baker aide when asked if be would be joining the secretary in shifting to the

takes-over-the-campaign rumor, Baker as economic czar and Baker becomes some kind of super policy

chief running everything.

'I have been keeping a list of all the rumors," the official added, "and I promised whoever got it right I would give a prize, but the list got too loog and I couldn't remember who suggested which ru-Mr. Baker calls on reporters by

their first names at press conferences and during his news conference in Amman on Tuesday with King Hussein, he uncharacteristically mixed up Ralph Begleiter of CNN with Barry Schweid of The Associated Press. "Don't worry," said Mr.

Schweid, "it's only for two more Mr. Baker just smiled. Reporters remarked that if the

always press-wise Mr. Baker is forgetting the names of his press contingent, he is definitely headed for the White House.

The prospect of Mr. Baker's pos-sible departure from the State De-

partment has all the parties in the Middle East nervous, particularly the Arabs, who have come to appreciate his evenhanded approach. "He is the godfather of the peace

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The Growing Cost of Keeping Art

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Death and Taxes Squeeze Thurn und Taxis Estate

By Souren Melikian

tional Revald Tribune LONDON - One of Europe's oldest aristocratic families, the house of Thurn und Taxis, announced Tuesday that it was putting up for auction some important works of art, including 18thcentury German and French silver, jewelry and 50

Harry Charteris, deputy director of Sotheby's silver department, estimated that the silver alone would bring about \$6 million when sold by the auction house on Nov. 16 in Geneva. This conser-

varive estimate may be revised upward.

The reasons for the sale, as stated by Princess Glotia von Thurn und Taxis and the Prince Thurn und Taxis General Administration, are highly unusual. A "multimillion Deutsche mark sum" is due to be paid as death duties on behalf of the heir, who is a minor, following the death of Prince Johannes in December 1990.

The princess and her board of directors "are

convinced that the money should not be obtained through the sale of the profit-making real estate and industrial holdings, but rather from assets, like

works of art, that do not produce revenues." They add: "The cost of conserving and insuring these works at a level commensurate with the significance of the collection means that some reorganization of the patrimony is an economic

Perhaps never has the long-term cost of owning art in relationship to its short-term value been spelled out so clearly. Such a decision might not have been taken at a time when the art market was increasing more rapidly in value than the net interest rate that the money invested would have yielded. Such a sale probably heralds others.

Among the more remarkable items for sale are a silvergilt ewer and basin by Johann Christoph Stenglin of Augsburg, or a series of 36 identical large candlesticks made about 1780 by the Strasbourg goldsmith Jean-Jacques Kerstin.

Debate Over Memories: Repressed or Fabricated? By Daniel Goleman

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — Is it Satan or is it
Salem? A wave of cases in which men and women suddenly remember traumatic events from their childhood has set off a debate among psychologists who study memory and trauma.

Some psychotherapists say that symptoms like depression could result from long-repressed memories of sexual abuse in childhood. A few therapists are even suggesting that the sexual abuse was part of the rituals of satanic cults.

Others, mainly experimental psychologists who study suggestibility and memory, say that the eagerness of therapists to uncover abuse, and their reliance on untrustworthy methods, like hypnosis, can create imagined memories that the patients gradually assume to be fact. These

hysteria and false accusations of the Salem

witch trials. The oction of repressed memory has been around since Freud proposed it near the turn of the century. But as yet there is no experimental evidence that bears directly on the puzzle of how a memory of

such significance could be repressed for decades and then suddenly spring to mind. The question is all the more compelling because of recent widely publicized cases in which long-repressed memories of murder and sexual abuse have apparently been corroborated.

In one, George Thomas Franklin, a San Mateo, California, firefighter, was found guilty of murder after his daughter, Eileen Franklin-Lipsker, testified that she had only recently recalled his bludgeoning a playmate to death 21 years earlier.

The daughter said the memory came critics liken the wave of such cases to the back to her as she gazed at her own daugh-

ter's face, which she said reminded her of the playmate. Mr. Franklin was sentenced "I remembered Father Porter taking me to life in prison. Prosecutors said his daughter's testimony was corroborated by that of other witnesses and physical evi-

In another case, Frank Fitzpatrick, a 38year-old insurance adjuster in Cranston, Rhode Island, began remembering having been sexually molested by a parish priest at age 12. His retrieval of the repressed memories began, he said, when "I was feeling a great mental pain, even though my marriage and everything else in my life was going well."

Mr. Fitzpatrick, now 41, slowly realized that the mental pain was due to "a betrayal of some kind," and remembered the sound of heavy breathing. "Then I realized I had been sexually abused by someone I loved," he said. But it was not until two weeks later, that he suddenly remembered

up to his parent's house in Revere, Massachusetts," he said, "Supposedly he was taking me to a ball game in Boston, but we never went there. I remembered details of the trip, like his giving me mince meat pie to eat. But I still don't remember the exact

details of the sexual abuse." In this case the accusations have apparently been corroborated by about 50 other men and women, and Mr. Porter, who is no longer a priest, has acknowledged abus-

ing an unspecified oumber of children. The rising numbers of such cases have led 21 states to extend the stamtes of limitations in sex-abuse cases. Even so, corroboration of memories of childhood abuse is often difficult to find, leaving an

accuser and the accused in a struggle for See MEMORY, Page 5



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In Spratlys Crisis, China Offers Joint Development - Again

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

MANILA - China sought Tuesday to defuse a potentially explosive conflict over control of the South China Sea, saying that it was ready to put aside the core dispute and explore prospects for

joint development of the area.

Qian Qichen, China's foreign minister, made the offer in a meeting with foreign ministers of the Association of South East Asian Nations, officials of the group said.

After the meeting, Romualdo Ong, executive director for Asia-Pacific affairs in the Philippine Foreign Office, said that Mr. Qian had given an assurance that China wanted the dispute settled peacefully and was against the use of force. ASEAN officials welcomed Mr. Qian's concilia-

But they noted that a similar uffer had been

made by China in 1990 and since repeated. Officials of ASEAN - its members are Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Brunei - said that recent moves by China, which staked a claim to a disputed reef and grant-

King Denies

Jordan Is

Iraqi Curbs

By John M. Goshko

sanctions in recent weeks.

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tions about past U.S. criticism of

Jordan said, "In the past, we be-

lieve there was some leakage across

the border. In recent days and

weeks, we see much stronger sanc-

tions enforcement, much less leak-

age."
He added that Prime Minister

Zeid ibn Shaker of Jordan had nut-

lined a number of steps the Jorda-

nians were taking to improve en-

negotiating delegation with the Pal-

estinians, was ready to seize the

chance for progress offered by

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's

be taken advantage of and will be

taken advantage of," said Mr. Bak-

er, who came here following two days of talks in Israel.
"I found a sense of that in my

discussions today with his majes-

day with Israelis and Palestinians."

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Asked what the Arab side might

du tu reciprocate Mr. Rahin's moves to curb new Jewish settle-

ments in the Israeli-occupied West

Bank and Gaza Strip, the king said

that the Arab countries would

"take decisions at the appropriate

However, he agreed that "we are

at a historic moment," and added: "I hope this crucial moment can

finally bring results to the suffering

on both sides of the divide - Pales

tinians, Israelis, Jordanians — by

establishing a just and lasting

peace, one that means the children of Abraham will be together

Mr. Baker flew from here to Da-

mascus, but his scheduled meeting with President Hafez Assad of Syr-

ia was postponed until Wednesday

because of the death of Mr. Assad's

The secretary will go to Cairo

early Wednesday to confer with

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt

and then return to Syria to meet

Mr. Assad in the northern Syria

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king bere Tuesday.

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ed a U.S. company the right to explore for oil on a section of the continental shelf claimed by Vietnam, east doubts on Chinese sincerity.

The officials said that in the meeting with ASEAN ministers, Mr. Qian had been asked to explain the inconsistency between China's words and actions.

The dispute centers on the Spratly Islands, a cluster of atolls and reefs in the southern sector of the South China Sea between Vietnam, Malaysia, Brunei and the Philippines.

The islands hold the key to rights over the surrounding seabed. The area may contain large deposits of oil and natural gas. China, Taiwan and Vietnam claim the entire

Spratly group, while Malaysia, the Philippines and Brunet claim islands near their territory. All except Brunei have put garrisons on the islands they occupy, leading to fears that there may be a repetition of the armed conflict in 1988, when Chinese and Vietnamese forces clashed in the

In a speech at the opening session of the ASEAN meeting on Tnesday, Ali Alatas, Indonesia's for-

eign minister, said that the "obvious potential for

conflict" was a cause of growing concern.

Indonesia has led efforts to encourage parties to the dispute to put aside their claims and cooperate

for mutual advantage.

Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Malaysia's foreign minister, said that all countries with overlapping claims in the area must "exercise self-restraint" to

create a favorable climate "for the eventual solution of those disputes." Fidel V. Ramos, the Philippine president, said that a serious effort to solve the problem could not

be deferred indefinitely "lest the unsettled situation lead to perilous developments." China's sovereignty claims would give it control of virtually the whole of the South China Sea.

ASEAN officials said that this was unacceptable to most Southeast Asian nations. They warned that China sought to enforce its claims in full, it

would face strong opposition.

Analysts said it was significant that Vietnam and Laos will on Wednesday accede to a Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia, a first step toward full membership in ASEAN.

The treaty, which provides for peaceful settlement of disputes, was drawn up by ASEAN in 1976 when the governments of Indochina, as well as China, regarded the non-Communist group with suspicion and bostility.

Mr. Abdullah said that an "expanded and unified ASEAN will augur well" for the security and economic development of the region.

Mr. Qian and Nguyen Manh Cam. Vietnam's foreign minister, are attending the annual meeting of ASEAN foreign ministers, providing an opportunity for all parties to the South China Sea dispute, except Taiwan, to discuss the issue.

Shortly before arriving in Manila, Mr. Cam said that pending a settlement of the dispute, no country should do anything to make the situation more complicated

China and Vietnam are also at odds over the Paracel Islands, in the northern part of the South

Chinese forces seized the Paracels from South Vietnamese troops in the closing stages of the

BEIJING — Bao Tong, the most senior official arrested in connection with the 1989 democracy demonstrations, was sentenced Tuesday to seven years in prison, a court too divisive.

Mr. Bao, who was the senior aide to Zhao Ziyang, former Communist Party general secretary, was found guilty by a Beijing court of leaking state secrets and of coun-

terrevolutionary incitement.
His trial lasted less than five

He was sentenced to four years on the first charge and five years on the second. But judges, exercising a discretionary right, ruled that he Last Test of will have to serve only a total of seven years, the official said.

Mr. Bao will also be given credit for the three years be has already spent behind bars and should therefore be released in four years. Mr. Bao, 59, wrnte many of the speeches by Mr. Zhao that argued for greater political and economie

Western diplomats were divided in their views on the verdict and

Some called it a clear signal that Beijing would nut tolerate political challenges to the Communist Par-

Others noted that Mr. Bao could have received a much heavier sentence on both charges.

ty, even as it promotes economie

Two of the protest leaders, Chen Ziming and Wang Juntao, were each sentenced in 13 years in pris-

The two men, who were not officials, had links to business and an independent think-tank.

A student leader, Wang Dan, one of dozens of students jailed after the protests were crushed, was sentenced to four years. Other sentences have been for as long as 20

a much heavier sentence and some It was somehow fitting that the diplomats said the final verdict last thing Mr. Baker did before could be interpreted as an internal party compromise. Mr. Bao was arrested in May

1989, the month before Chinese troops and tanks in Beijing crushed student-led demonstrations. Since then, he has been in Beij-

ing's Qincheng prison.

As head of the Communist Party's now-disbanded Institute for Restructuring the Political System, Mr. Bao was at the center of the political ferment that gripped China for munths.

He was accused of leaking internal party documents in the protest-Western diplomats and Chinese

ers that helped them plot strategy. analysts believe Mr. Bao was jailed to take responsibility for the Com-

The Very Reverend Ernest E. Hunt 3d will become dean of the American Cathedral in Paris in October, succeeding the Very Reverend James Leo. Father Hunt currently is dean of St. Matthew's Cathedral in Dallas. The American Cathedral, officially known as the Pro Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, is the cathedral church for American Episcopal

Books recorded on tape are fine for driving, The New York Times says in an editorial, but it adds a couple of cartions: Horror stories "by the likes of Stephen King have the poten-tial for sending a car into a ditch," and

Beijing Sentences Democracy Leader

mimist Party's bandling of the pro-

They say hard-liners wanted to pin the blame on Mr. Zhao but moderates argued that would be

Asked Whether Mr. Bao would appeal against the sentence, his wife, Jiang Zongcao, told report-"If he wants to, he has the right. He probably will."

U.S. Cancels SDI Laser

By Michael R. Gordon

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — A decade after proponents of the Strategic Defense initiative first sought development of nuclear-powered laser weapons that could destroy encmy missiles in space, the X-ray laser program has suffered a final debilitating setback, with the Energy Department quietly canceling its last scheduled test.

Implementing the administration's new policy that limits nuclear testing to improving the safety and reliability of weapons, Energy Secretary James D. Watkins last week canceled a classified test of the nuclear-powered X-ray laser. No public announcement was made.

Code-named Greenwater: the test had been in the works for years and had been preceded by other tests of the X-ray laser concept. Tens of millions of dollars have already been spent on the test. which was to have been carried out

in September. The decisioo closed annthe chapter in the slow demise of the Xray laser program. The concept, proposed by scientists at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California and promoted by the physicist Edward Teller, helped convince President Ronald Reagan

to launch his initiative in 1983. As envisioned by Mr. Teller and nther proponents of the system, the X-ray laser device was to be launched into space upon notice of a Soviet missile attack. There it would use a nuclear blast to fire laser beams at attacking Soviet missiles and warheads. That the United States could cancel the test with little fanfare indicates how far the program has fallen in the face of technical problems, spending cuts, and competition from nounu-

clear anti-missile technologies. The X-ray laser no longer figures in the Pentagon's plans to erect a space- and ground-based anti-mis-sile defense, which now focus on the development of nonnuclear systems - ground-based interceptors and space-hased intercepturs, known as "brilliant peobles," that would hit and destroy enemy war-heads. About \$27 billion has been spent on the Strategic Defense Inihative over the past nine years. The House has authorized the spending of \$4.3 billion for fiscal 1993.

Over the years, the X-ray laser has become a low-level research effort. The Pentagon said earlier this year that it was not seeking money in 1993 for "nuclear directed energy weapons," such as the X-ray laser, leaving it up to the Energy Department to finance research. Still, a senior Pentagon official who Still, a senior Pentagon official who supports anti-missile defeuses said he would like to have seen X-ray laser testing continue as part of a long-term effort.

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Energy Department officials said that the test was to have involved a nuclear blast equivalent to more than 20,000 tons of TNT and that development work bad been carried out in connection with the test. But Mr. Claytor declined to give additional details about the nature of the test, saying that it was

U.S. officials disclosed the cancellation of the Greenwater test to show that the administration's testing initiative had some teeth.

An official said that a number of new classified weapons concepts were in an early stage of development and could not be tested if nuclear testing was limited to establishing only the safety and reliability of weapons. In an effort to forestall congres-

sional efforts to ban nuclear testing, the administration told lawmakers last week that it would conduct no more than six nuclear tests per year. Of these, no more than three can exceed 35,000 tons.

WORLD BRIEFS

UN Envoy Arrives in Johannesburg

JOHANNESBURG (WP) - Cyrus R. Vance, the United Nations special envoy, arrived in South Africa on Tuesday on a 10-day mission aimed at reviving stalled constitutional negotiations between the government and African National Congress as well as proposing new measures

to curb political violence.

Mr. Vance, the first high-ranking UN official to visit South Africa since 1961, will begin his round of consultations with a meeting Wednesday with President Frederik W. de Klerk in Pretoria. He said he had come th "listen and hear" the viewpoints of the various parties involved in the conflict before making his recommendations on how to break the current

The ANC is demanding that the government take stricter security measures to prevent violence. It also says the government must accept unfettered majority rule before it will resume constitutional talks.

Arms Sales to the Third World Skid

WASHINGTON (NYT) - Arms sales to the Third World fell sharply last year as the United States, the former Soviet Union, France, and China all cut back sales, the Congressional Research Service has reported.

Total sales fell 40 percent, to \$24.7 billion, the lowest level in at least seven years. The 1990 total was \$41.1 billion. The United States, which surpassed the Soviet Union as the biggest supplier in 1990, accounted for 57 percent of all sales in 1991, the report said.

Saudi Arabia, the biggest U.S. customer, spent \$5.6 billion, accounting for nearly 40 percent of total U.S. sales to the Third World last year. Sales from the former Soviet Union to the Third World fell 55 percent last year, to \$5 billion, from \$11.2 billion in 1990. Moscow was still the secondbiggest supplier, but the value of its arms-sales agreements last year was far below the peak of \$24.8 billion in 1986.

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Iraq Vows to Hold Firm Against UN

BAGHDAD (Combined Dispatches) — President Saddam Hussein's government vowed Tuesday that it would never admit United Nations weapons inspectors into a building they suspect contains documents on missiles. "The inspection team shall not enter," Ath Thawra, newspaper of the governing Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party, said in an editorial.

For the third day, thousands of Iraqis, demonstrating against a UN team conducting a vigil ontside the Ministry of Agriculture, burned effigies of President George Bush, set fire to U.S. flags and carried

banners reading: "We reject you. Go home."

The United States, Britain and France warned Monday of serious consequences if Iraq did not back down. "Military action is not ruled out," the British chief delegate to the United Natious, Sir David Hannay,

India Threatens to Clear Shrine Area

NEW DELHI (Reuters) — The Indian government threatened Tuesday to use force to evict Hindu fundamentalists building a temple beside an ancient Muslim shrine

At least seven people have been killed and more than 100 wounded in rioting sparked by the start of construction of the temple in the Hindu pilgrimage town of Ayodhya in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh. pilgrimage town of Ayodhya in the northern state of Ottar reacest.
"We will clear the area of devotees now engaged in building the temple if the state government refuses to honor its constitutional obligations,"

Iran Tells British Diplomat to Leave

Home Minister Shankarrao Chavan told Parliament.

NICOSIA (Reuters) — Iran has ordered Geoffrey Brammer, 2 third secretary at the British Embassy, to leave the country within a month because of actions "violating diplomatic norms," the Iranian news agency, said Tuesday. The agency did not explain the nature of the alleged

A Foreign Office spokesman in London said Monday that Britain had protested the detention of Mr. Brammer, who was held for several hours on June 17.

For the Record

Mongolia's parliament approved the appointment of Punsagiyn Jasray, 59, as prime minister, officials said. The Lithumian parliament nominated Alexandras Abisala on Tuesday to replace Gediminas Vagnorius as prime minister. The parliament gave Mr. Vagnorius a vote of no-confidence last week amid opposition charges be had bungled economic changes.

TRAVEL UPDATE

U.S. Readies Rules on Plane De-Icing

WASHINGTON (Renters) — The Federal Aviation Administration on Tuesday proposed to put into effect by this winter new rules designed to prevent dangerous buildup of snow, and ice on wings of aircraft awaiting take-off.

Icing has been a factor in more than a dozen crashes in the United States during the past 25 years, including the crash of a USAir jet at LaGuardia Airport in New York last March in which 27 people died.

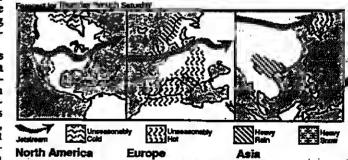
European Storms Block Highways

PARIS (Combined Dispatches) — Violent storms in France and Switzerland killed three people and disrupted travel on Tuesday. In the Loire Valley in central France, two Dutch campers were killed when a tree fell on their tent. Uprooted trees blocked several highways in the Paris area and one person was seriously injured in an antomobile accident due to the storm, the police said.

In Switzerland, a woman was struck by lightning and heavy rainfall in Obwalden canton caused a river to overflow, covering a main highway with debris and flooding fields and buildings.

(AFP, AP) with debris and flooding fields and buildings.

The Weather



Clouds will increase in New York City and Washington, D.C., Thursday, then showers and thunder by week. Lordon will storms are likely Thursday, right and Friday. Cool weather for summer will be the rule Irom Chicago to Toronto the remainder of the week.

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AMMAN, Jordan - King Hussein of Jordan denied Tuesday that his country was moving supplies across its border with Iraq in defi-ance of United Nations sanctions, and Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d agreed that Jordan has tightened its enforcement of the Mr. Baker, who is no a five-nation Middle East tour that he bopes will reinvigurate the Arab-Israeli peace process, conferred with the At a joint news conference, they were questioned repeatedly about whether Jordan was covertly aiding Iraq by allowing large amounts of nonhumanitarian supplies across the 160-kilometer (100-mile) bor-The king replied that before Iraq triggered the Gulf War by invading Kuwait two years ago, his belief that there should be "no Berlin Walls between Arab countries" had led him to regard the Jordan-Iraq border as though it did nut exist. "But we accept and have adhered to the UN sanctions," he "We are doing the best we can to get the Iraqi people food and medi-"But, as to nonhumanitarian goods, I want to say that our credibility is very important to us, and we are not engaged in sanctions-Mr. Baker, responding to ques-

An Egyptian soldier sewing a guard's glove before Mr. Rabin arrived at the Cairo airport Tuesday.

BAKER: His Mideast Tour Has the Look of Farewell

(Continued from page 1) DIOCESS. the Palestinian woman, Hanan Ashrawi, said at a news conference in Jerusalem on Munday. "We are confident the peace process will continue, but at the personal level he would be

When King Hussein was asked The prime minister also said during his joint news conference with Mr. Baker in Amman what they would invite members of the press in various border locations to impact Mr. Baker's eventual deparsee what has been done," Mr. Bakture might have, he became rather flustered, saying: "Well, first of all, In regard to the peace process, Mr. Baker said his talks with King we are talking about rumors. There Hussein had convinced him that are many rumors in this region, so I really can't relate to that. These are Jordan, which is part of a joint

The minute the news conference was over, though, one of the king's top aides rushed over to the reportnew government in Israel. er whn asked the question and in-"I would like to think that there are opportunities now that should "Is it true, is Baker going?" Although Mr. Baker did a simi-

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TOPICS

The palatial stations built in the great days

of railroading, many of them abandoned for

decades, are coming back to life. For years, Amtrak, the U.S. passenger train system, could not afford to maintain them. Perhaps a

single room of the station would be kept

open, or passengers would be shunted off to small utilitarian structures. Now Amtrak, with passenger traffic slowly

climbing — 11 billion passenger miles in 1985, 13 billion in 1989 — is restoring historic

stations, often with help from community

groups or from private developers who install

retail stores in the stations and take on most

of their renovation and maintenance costs.

Washington's Union Station reopened in

With Help, Amtrak Restores

Those Grand Old Stations

lar job switch in 1988, when he stage in the Bush presidency is not years. stepped down as Treasury secretary to run Mr. Bush's campaign. be is probably deeply torn about doing it again. He has huilt a reputation as an effective statesman, with some substantial accomplishments to his name - from the

the Strategic Arms Reduction Tu relinquish the dignified world of diplomacy now to oversee a difficult campaign cannot be a very

Arab-Israeli peace conference to

endearing prospect for Mr. Baker. But Mr. Baker's aides say that be could hardly be indifferent to the entreaties of his president, the Bush family and Republican Party stalwarts that be come back to the White House and try to give it a sense of direction it has so clearly lacked of late. What exactly Mr.

Baker could accomplish at this late

leaving for Amman on Tuesday morning was to drive out to visit the grove of trees planted in his bonor in the hills on the way to Jerusalem. In particular, he wanted to visit the place where 96 trees were planted by Yitzhak Shamir, the former prime minister, in memnry nf Mr. Baker's mother, who died at age 96 while Mr. Baker was in Jerusalem on a peace shuttle last

On the way out of the forest, Mr.

Baker stopped for a moment on the

hillside to briefly gaze back at the saplings struggling in the rocky soil It was the sort of last look back of someone who thought be might not be returning soon.

abandoned 20 years ago for a cinderhlock building on the edge of town. Completed or planned renovations include Boston, Phila-delphia, Baltimore, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Diego and Richmond, Virginia. In New York, Amtrak is hoping to revive some of the glory of the grandest old station of them all — Pennsylvania Station, which was torn down nearly 30 years ago. Amtrak is seeking developers for the station it wants to

open in the colonnaded General Post Office,

1988 as a combination railroad station and

shopping mall. In Cincinnati, Amtrak has

moved back into Union Terminal, which it

Short Takes

right across the street.

Air pollution has dropped by 50 percent in much of Southern California over the past 10 years, according to a study by the California Air Resources Board. It credited strict emission controls on motor vehicles and factories. The study showed that coastal cities now experience about 200 to 400 bours of excessive smog annually, about half of what those cities suffered a decade ago.

churches in Europe.

ambitious, thousand-page tomes can have the opposite effect of causing the driver to nod off. The likely outcome would be a jumble of wreckage, flashing dome lights and a grim state trooper telling his partner, Another guy thought he could finish "Remembrance of Things Past' before L.A. They never learn, do they?"

Arthur Highee

AIDS: At Amsterdam Meeting, U.S. Urges Reports on Anomalous Illness

sions in the event such an agent was transmissible by blood.

"We do not know of any evidence of transmissibility," James Allen, who directs the National AIDS Program Office in Washington, said at a news conference.

Dr. Allen and other health officials immediately moved to assure the public about the safety of the nation's blood supply. He and others said the blood supply was never as safe as it is now from the risk of any infection.

Experts said that if an agent was Experts said that if an agent was detected and if it was transmissible, Jeffrey Laurence of Cornell Unithey felt certain they could quickly

pressed such confidence whether such an agent turns out to be new or a mutation of an existing one.

But Dr. James Curran, an AIDS expert at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said it was not clear whether the known cases represent a new syndrome or a variety of rare medical problems that pose no threat. He said there was no evidence that such cases were cansed by any new virus and that they may have many causes.

The plea resulted from a special versity Medical Center in New health problem and urged authors by a defective HIV-1.

develop tests in detect it. They ex- York City reported on five such cases that are due to be published soon in the Lancet, a British medical journal.

Dr. Laurence discussed the cases but declined to talk about a report about a possible viral cause that his team has submitted to a scientific journal. He said material from the patients had been sent to researchers elsewhere for additional testing and checking because state of the art laboratory tests were being used to try to detect a new agent. In an unusual plea, Dr. Anthony

S. Fauci, the head of the National

of papers to demand approval from scientific journals to release their findings early to speed up sharing of data and samples for immediate laboratory investigation. Dr. Luc Montagnier, the French

researcher who was a co-discoverer of HIV-1 and the discoverer of HIV-2, said he knew of cases of the AIDS-like illness in France, but did not cite a number. His team from the Pasteur Institute in Paris reported two such cases at the meet-

In one, evidence of HIV-1 was found in tests of the urine, but not Institute of Allergy and Infectious the blood. Dr. Montganier suggest-Disease, cited the potential public ed that some cases might be caused

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Cuomo Accepts an Honorary Campaign Role ALBANY, New York (NYT) - Governor Mario M.Cnomo of New York said he has agreed to serve as honorary chairman of

Governor Bill Clinton's campaign in the state and to make speeches and television appearances on his behalf. "I am flattered to death that anybody thinks that I would have

good strategic political advice, but I'll do what I can regarding a whole host of aspects of the campaign," Mr. Cuomo said. Mr. Cuomo, who was frequently mentioned early in the campaign as a possible presidential candidate, made the nominating speech for Mr. Clinton at the Democratic National Convention last week.

Mr. Cnome said that Clinton had called him for advice just after Ross Perot withdrew from the race, turning to an aide to ask aloud.

"When was that, after the nominating speech?"
"I'm sure he talked to a hundred people — you know: 'Mario, what do you think, what does it look like to you, what do you think we should do?"

"Why?" Cuomo asked. "Because I'm the governor of the state of New York. It's a critical state, I've been around for a little bit, and I have a point of view that is representative of certain segments of political thought, and for whatever it is worth, he will listen. He's very smart, very eclectic, which is a good sign in an executive."

Backers of Perot Launch Group for Change

IRVINE, California — California leaders of Ross Perot's aborted presidential bid have launched a new group aimed at uniting dispirited Perot volunteers across the nation in a coalition to force governmental change.

"Owners of America," an Irvine-based comprofit group with a corporate-style structure, hopes to become the umbrella organization for thousands of Perot volunteers seeking a direction now that the Texas billionaire has decided not to run. "We want to stay organized to become the most powerful voting

bloc in the country," said Merrick Okamoto, regional chairman of the Perot Petition Committee in California and one of half a dozen directors of the new organization. Bill Myers, a vice chairman of the California Perot Petition

Committee, said the group's intent was "to effect political change in America for all Americans. "Our objective is to unite as many volunteers in America as possible and to continue what Ross Perot has started." Mr. Myers

The group has invited Mr. Perot to be chairman of their organization and to help fund their effort. He has not responded.



President George Bush greeting members of the American

Away From the Hustings

A Michigan judge dismissed double murder charges Tuesday against the retired pathologist Jack Kevorkian, who helped four women kill themselves in the past two years by connecting them to variations of his suicide machine.

 Legislation to legalize the French abortion pill RU-486 was introduced Tuesday in Congress by Representative Patricia Schroeder, a Colorado Democrat. Such a pill was confiscated from a pregnant California woman who tried to import it for personal use. • In a decision upsetting the largest award in a sex bias case, a Los

Angeles County judge has ordered a new trial on charges brought against Texaco by a long-term employee, Janella Sue Martin. A jury had awarded her \$20.3 million in damages. The United States will allow New Jersey to change its welfare system, including a plan to deay additional benefits to mothers on welfare who have more children. The plan is intended to reward

work and encourage stable families. . A man on trial in Chicago for bank robbery wrestled a gun from a U.S. marshal Monday and fatally shot two guards in a courthouse garage before killing himself, authorities said. The prisoner was leffrey E. Erickson, who committed eight bank robbeties.

• A sheriff's deputy shot and killed his former wife, Kathy Lee Redean Smith, on Monday as she approached a courthouse in Beammont, Texas, to make a complaint about him. The deputy

surrendered. His name was not released. A man convicted of killing two people, one of them a policeman, after escaping from prison, was executed Tuesday in the electric chair in Starke, Florida. Edward Dean Kennedy was 47.

• Governor L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia said Monday that for now he sees "no reason to intervene" in the execution of a murderer. Edward Fitzgerald, 34, scheduled for Thursday. He was convicted for the rape and killing in 1980 of Patricia D. Cubbage. She was stabbed 184 times with a machete.

• The recipient of the world's first baboon-to-human liver transplant has experienced minor rejection, the Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburgh said Tuesday. It occurred during the weekend and was treated in the conventional way, with steroid medication, and is being controlled, the hospital said.

Reuters, AP, LAT, NYT, AFP, WP, UPI

Big, Enthusiastic Crowds Fuel Optimism on Clinton-Gore Bus

By Edward Walsh

Washington Post Service
GENERAL BUTLER STATE PARK, Kentucky - Maybe they shoold start to worry about overconfidence.

For days, Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas and Senator Al Gore of Tennessee literally have been on a roll. As their caravan of buses lumbered through the beart of Republican-leaning Ohio and into this border state Monday, the crowds were as large and enthusias-tic as they were Sunday in rock-solid Democratic Wesi

It won't always be like this, and they know it, but for now — 3½ months before Election Day — it will do.
"What a crowd this is, this is unbelievable," should Mr. Gore, the Democratic vice-presidential nominee, as he prepared to introduce Mr. Clinton to several thousand people gathered on the lawn of the stately Clinton County Courthouse in Wilmington, Ohio, earlier Monday.

Four years ago, the Democratic presidential com-nee, Michael S. Dukakis, also came charging out of the national convention to an enthusiastic reception. Conventions are supposed to rouse support for the ticket around the country.

But Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore, traveling together as an unusual policial duo since New York, appear at least initially to have tapped into something deeper— the same strong desire for change in the way business is done in Washington that gave rise to the brief almost-candidacy of Ross Perot.

"We don't expect to sustain this kind of enthusiasm through November; you can't do it," said Dee Dee Myers, the Clinton campaign press secretary, after more than 5,000 people turned out Sunday to see the two men in Utica, Ohio, where George Bush won by 2-1 over Mr. Dukakis in 1988.

But even if some of the fervor for the Democratic candidates fades in strongly Republican areas such as central Ohio by November, the images projected by this six-day bus tour through eight states will have served a purpose, she added.

"People pay attention," she said. "That's the impor-tant thing. When you get big crowds like this, the more receptive people are to Clinton's message. The more they know about him before the Republican attacks, the better off we're going to be."

Clinton campaign aides insist with a collective straight face that they have done relatively little to

By Michael Kelly New York Times Service

his wife, Tipper, to make points of politics and governance.

out of the keys," he said. "I could not control the emotion."

experiences I ever had in finally allowing myself to put that into words.

I call it 'the experience,' but really it was a process of healing and

account of his son's near-death and fight for life.

himself, and it seems to be true.

shots at George Bush.

years. All right?"

round up the crowds that line the roads and come to

The campaign organization, they say, has been "stretched thin" by the demands of this road show, with the entourage's chaotic, late-night hotel arrivals attesting to the strain they are under.

But there is one area where the Clinton operatives have proved especially adept, and that has been in providing the opportunities and backdrops to project pictures of the two Democratic candidates and their wives, whose youthful looks and energetic behavior all but shout the word "change."

Their efforts have approached the level of Reaganesque, a term that entered the political lexicon in the 1980s to convey — part in awe and part in resentment — the ability of the Reagan organization to control and manipulate visual political images.

Unlike Mr. Reagan, Mr. Clinton has answered questions from voters at "town meetings" and other events on this swing. But like Mr. Reagan, he has shown little inclination to take questions from his traveling press corps.

Before arriving here, Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore were on an Ohio farm, a vast field of tall corn and a red

barn serving as the backdrop as the candidates stood on stacked bales of hay taking questions on farm of issues while their Secret Service agents stayed off to the sides so that no jarring, dark-suited presence

intruded in the pictures of the pastoral scene.

The caravan rolled into Kentucky late Monday and Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore used a bullhorn to address another large crowd. Mark Gearan, a Dukakis aide in 1988 who is now working for Mr. Gore, said that ed although Mr. Dukakis General School and Sch although Mr. Dukakis' first week after the convention and very good, there "was not this level of excitement was and volume."

"You can put events together," Mr. Gearan said, we' but what I'm impressed by is the spontaneity, the people on the roads with their wonderful signs. I can be

enough to advance that" But even with all the enthusiasm, Mr. Gearan acknowledged that this is an odd time in the campaign, providing something of a free ride for the Democratic ticket before the Republican convention is held next

month and the contest is fully engaged. This is a basketball game and it will be up and down," he said. "I think we have a good lead, but I am "e aware that you have to keep working every day."

Physician Denies the Rumors of **Bush Illness**

By Ann Devroy and David Brown

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Acknowledging that he has been hit in re-

cent days with a wave of rumors ahout President George Bush's health, Dr. Burton Lee, Mr. Bush's physician, has said that the president is in "perfect" health. "Tve heard a lot of this stoff,"

Dr. Lee said. "I don't know where

it gets started."
"His health is perfect," he said.
"It is unchanged."
The White House spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, and numerous other officials in the White House and the vice president's office said they have been getting calls for more than a week asking if is true that Mr. Bush, who turned 68 last month, is ill. The rumored illnesses ranged from cancer to heart disease

to strokes to lupus.

Although Mr. Bush has appeared in good health in public virtually every day for months, the rumors, one White House official said Monday, 'keep coming in in changed form."

They allege that "Bush is sick and is going to quit, the First Lady is sick, Mrs. Quayle is sick and the vice president is going to quit. None of it is true."

Calls about Mr. Bush's health, including many to news organizations, were numerous last Friday d flooded the Chicago tile Exchange - where as in all trading markets rumors take off quickly.

Low-level aides from various federal agencies called oews organizations to seek information. In Jackson, Wyoming on Friday, where Mr. Bush was vacationing, senior aides were peppered with questions by reporters. They de-nied that Mr. Bush was ailing. Dr. Lee said Mr. Bush's health is

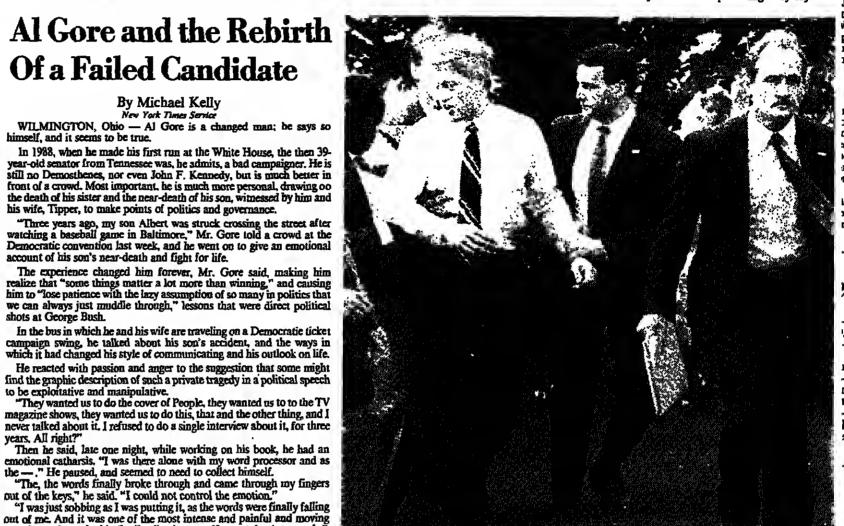
"the same as it was after his last physical in March — excellent." Dr. Lee acknowledged that he recently has been "messing

around" with Mr. Bush's dosage of thyroid hormooe replacement, which the president has taken since he was treated for Graves' disease 15 months ago. He said he had increased the dose slightly but ex-pected to lower it again later.

Graves' disease is characterized by excessive production of thyroid hormone, a biochemical with wideranging effects that acts as a major regulator of the body's metabolism. Mr. Bush's symptoms at the time the ailment was diagnosed were typical, and included weight loss, a rapid and irregular heart rate, and

He was then given radioactive indine treatment, which effectively destroyed his thyroid gland and cured the Graves' disease. However, he must take a daily dose of the

Mr. Bush comes by the White House medical office daily and usually has his heart rate, blood pressure, respiratory rate and temperature measured, Dr. Lee said. He said those vital signs are normal



growth that enabled me to re-order my priorities in life, to think about my life in a very different way and to relate to people in a very different way." Bodyguards hustling Bill Clinton away after a protester advanced on him at a Columbus, Ohio, rally. Some of the things you'll need if you



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Bush Intensifies Attack on Clinton

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — President George Bush has delivered his strongest attack to date on the Democratic presidential candidacy of Bill Clinton, calling the Arkansas governor's economic proposais "smoke and mirrors" and "a big mistake" that will increase the federal deficit.

"What I see is a program that does not address itself to the defi-cit," Mr. Bush said. "I think we've got to get the deficit down. I don't think you need to go raise taxes on people right now." people right now.

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Battle of Nerves Over Izvestia Reflects an Uncertain Mood

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

MOSCOW - On Friday, the Russian Parliament voted to take over Izvestia, an independent newspaper with 3.8 million readers that once was

the key press organ of the Soviet government.
On Saturday, President Boris N. Yeltsin said he would step into the fight as a guarantor of freedom

On Monday, Izvestia appeared with three pages devoted to this latest crisis of nerves.

The showdown is now heading to court after the Russian minister of information ruled he could not change Izvestia's registration without a legal ruling on its status.

And so goes another furor, typical of many others in Russia. They begin with a great noise and the promise to set the stage for a definitive power struggle. And then they wither away, devolving into the general sullen mood that has settled across the public arena.

The fight over Izvestia is characteristic of the blend of big issues, petty squabbles and murky facts that dog Russia's attempts at political and economic reform. For months now, the Russian parliament has

been moving toward a showdown with the editor of Izvestia, whose critical coverage has been particularly irksome to Ruslan I. Khasbulatov, who holds the post of speaker in parliament. The issue has turned on the newspaper's legal status, established last August in the days after the

attempt by conservatives to seize power. At that time, the Izvestia staff rushed to reregister the paper as an independent daily rather than a government organ. On Friday, the Russian parliament, an increasingly disgruntled body weighed down with old-guard Communists, declared Izvestia's self-privati-

zation invalid and, acting as heir to the defunct Soviet parliament, claimed Izvestia as its own. The

lopsided vote, 136 to 23, came despite warnings

from Mr. Yeltsin's envoy that parliament was about to "disgrace itself."

The tone of the debate was set by Mr. Khasbulatov, a favorite target of the democratic press. He accused Izvestia's editor, Igor N. Golembyovsky, of driving a wedge between Mr. Yeltsin and parlia-

Even as they tried to depict the case against Izvestia as one of legal issues, the legislators slipped into more pointed political attacks against a paper widely regarded as a voice for democratic

Some expressed resentments at the success of Izvestia at obtaining advertising. There were accusations that it had not some to the aid of the hardline press when it was under attack by Mr. Yeltsin. and there was a familiar complaint about why some politicians never got their views quoted.

But if the debate told something of the resentments and grudges behind much of Russian politics, the Izvestia affair is even more telling about a general stalemate.

For all the furor over the vote in parliament, nothing changed as a result. Parliament scorned the president and moved to effectively shut down a leading newspaper, and then went on summer

Some here interpret the flare-up last week as more a symptom of the feud between Mr. Yeltsin and Mr. Khasbulatov than as a real threat to the press. Parliament defied Mr. Yeltsin in what Mr. Golembyovsky called "a simple confrontation that has now come completely into the open." The Izvestia case, he said, is a sideshow compared to a coming battle over a new constitution.

But at Pravda, the old Communist Party daily that has fallen out of favor, the chief editor, Gennadi N. Seleznev, is dubious that this is a real political standoff. In his view, the confrontation between Mr. Yeltsin and Mr. Khasbulatov is mostly staged for effect, to give an appearance of

Russians Pursue a Warship Defecting to Ukraine

an flag Tuesday and left port in ters of the Black Sea, according to defiance of Russian commanders, the Itar-Tass news agency. who ordered several vessels to intercept it, according to a navy official of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

The rebel frigate was headed to-ward the Ukrainian port of Odessa, press center in Moscow. away from its base on the Crimean Peninsula, where the fleet is based. Russia and Ukraine have been feuding over the Black Sea Fleet,

whose 300 warships were once a Soviet counterbalance to the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean. Russians sent a guided-missile

cruiser, a hydrofoil vessel and three

The renegade frigate initially turned back toward the Crimean Peninsula, but then changed course and was headed for Odessa, said Valeri Novikov, head of the navy

He said the frigate's actions were "aggravating the situation at sea." The frigate has a crew of 60 and is armed with two 76mm guns as well as torpedoes and depth charges, Mr. Novikov said. He add-

ed that he did not know the vessel's

Black Sea Fleet raised the Ukraini- stop the frigate in the northern wa- an, left its port of Donuzlav at 8:40 a parade of vessels for Navy Day

on July 26, the news agency said. As it sailed toward Odessa, it hoisted the blue and yellow Ukrainian flag and refused to respond to shore stations, the reports said.

The pursuing ships were dispatched from Sevastopol. Mr. Novikov said a special commission made up of representatives of Ukraine and the Black Sea Fleet

command would investigate. The sailors aboard the vessel who reportedly took an oath of naval forces, told Interfax that he loyalty to Ukraine in January, de- opposed the sailors' actions be-

MOSCOW — A warship of the other ships, as well as a plane, to tain is Serger Nastenko, a Ukraini- command after complaining of constant humiliation and persecu-A.M. on the pretext of training for tion from their superiors, Interfax said, quoting a Ukrainian naval of-ficial, Nikolai Savchenko.

Mr. Novikov said a third of the ship's crew had refused to swear allegiance to Ukraine. He added that the departure from port had been masterminded by Captain Nikolai Zhibarev, the naval unit's leader, to coincide with the absence

Boris Kozhin, head of Ukraine's

of Admiral Igor Kasatonov, the

effect on the Black Sea Fleet. Last month, President Boris N.

Yeltsin of Russia and President Leonid M. Kravchuk of Ukraine agreed at a meeting to keep the fleet under a unified command for

the time being.
"The Black Sea Fleet will serve as a basis for building a Russian navy and a Ukrainian navy," Mr. Yeltsin said at the time. "Russia and Ukraine will take joint control of the Black Sea Fleet bases and will jointly finance the Black Sca

Ukramians make up 19 percent of the fleet's personnel. The others are mostly Russians.

Moscow Highway Plot? No, Just a Drunken Barber

MOSCOW - What appeared at first to some to be an assassination attempt in response to the present trial of the Communist Party has turned out to have been the misadventure of a Russian barber who was driving while drunk.

Alexei Smirnov, the 27-year-old director of a Moscow hair salon, confessed that he was the culprit whose small blue sedan had barreled into the car carrying President Boris N. Yeltsin's chief lawyer, the Interfax news agency reported.

With the confession, the car crash settled

back into the realm of the mundane, but the furor it had caused for several days reflected fears, particularly among skittish members of the Yeltsin government, that Communists intent on regaining power might resort to old-style vicious behavior.

Soon after the crash on Thursday, which injured Sergei M. Shakhrai and two others in the car, Mr. Yeltsin's press service issued a Statement reporting an attack" on Mr. suspicions outright. They pointed out,

serious and premeditated crime."

The daily newspaper Komsomolskaya Pravda headlined its account of the crash, "An Accident — or Something Worse?"

Attention turned immediately to the Com-

munists, who are Mr. Shakhrai's opponents in the trial now under way in the Constitutional Court over the legality of the Commu-nist Party and whether Mr. Yeltsin had the right to ban it last year after a coup attempt. Suddenly, the former Communist VIP's

had to face suspicious looks and challenging questions from reporters about possible involvement in the accident. The Soviet security police were suspected at intervals over the decades of arranging fatal car accidents to get rid of inconvenient people, including defectors, spies, defiant foreign Communists and even an indepen-

dent-minded member of the Politburo, Pyotr M. Masherov.

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Shakhrai, and added, "We're talking about a serious and premeditated crime." among other things, that if they had wanted to take out Mr. Shakhrai's reinforced, bulky Volga sedan, they would not have sent a puny Zhiguli - a Russian-made compact Fiat — to do it.

Doubts remained, however, even after Mr.

For several days, the crash reflected fears that Communists intent on regaining power might resort to old-style vicious behavior.

Shakhrai himself, pale and with his right arm m a sling, said on Russian television, "This was an accident. "If there was any intent on the driver's part, maybe it was a kind of road hooliganism. I don't see any other political

As it turned out, Mr. Shakhrai was right. According to accounts issued by the Interior Ministry, the police and other agencies, the barber and two equally inebriated friends were zooming along at about 130 kilometers an hour (80 mph), trying to pass Mr. Shakh-rai's Volga when the Zhiguli bumper struck

The Volga went hurtling into a tree and overturned. The driver's spine was said to have been broken and a guard sitting in front was injured as well. Mr. Shakhrai escaped with an injured shoulder.

Mr. Smirnov, meanwhile, stashed his car with its telltale damage in a nearby yard, and, still drinking with his friends, decided to try to make it look as if his car had been stolen before the accident, according to reports Monday.

The police were not fooled, however. They found Mr. Smirnov on Sunday and, as the Interfax news agency put it, "He was per-

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soing the therapists involved for "If incest is the worst crime, just imagine the devastating impact on parents who are falsely accused," said Dr. Pam Freyd, a psychologist and executive director of the False

remember sexual abuse in child-

hood are being urged to sever all ties with their families, and even

sue their parents for damages.

Memory Syndrome Foundation in Founded in March, the foundation has since been contacted by more than 650 parents who say that a grown child, usually a daughter, has falsely accused them of having

sexually abused her as a child. Both sides in the debate agree that the effects of sexual abuse are terrible, that most cases go unde- pressed memory of abuse."

Relatives and friends of a guard killed along with Judge Borsellino escorting the hearse to Palermo Cathedral on Tuesday. **Angry Sicilians Jeer Leaders at Funeral** By Alan Cowell Television stations briefly suspended programs and all traffic stopped for one minute in Rome to commemorate the dead. Train depar-New York Times Service PALERMO, Sicily — Furious mourners screaming "assassins" and "resign" mobbed tures were delayed and 15,000 protesters in senior government leaders Tuesday at the state Milan marched to the strains of Beethoven's Third Symphony, the "Eroica."

Even traders on Milan's stock exchange, and funeral here of five bodyguards who died with Palermo's chief public prosecutor, Paolo Bor-sellino, in a bomb attack Sunday.

fashion models in the capital, paused in silence before continuing their business as, across the country, people marked Mr. Borsellino's assassination with 10 minutes of silence. Palermo raises her angry and anguished voice asking the state to act with responsibility, unity and resolve, omitting nothing that could serve to protect its servants and citizens," Cardinal Salvatore Pappalardo, archbishop of Pa-lermo, said at the funeral service. "Palermo has

the right to ask this. Palermo demands this." In response to the growing pressure from politicians, the church and ordinary people, government leaders debated anti-crime measures that, according to Italian officials, would enable the police to search homes and entire areas without warrants, strip jailed mobsters of all privileges and consign them to solitary im-

Mr. Borsellino, 54, was the second top crimefighter slain by the mob in less than two months. The killing has brought home to ftalians the realization that, after years of suspected links between the Mafia and politicians, the bosses of Sicily's crime families seem to feel free "The relationship between the personal risk and the results of the inquiries has become too imbalanced," said Mr. Teresi as he resigned from Palermo's anti-Mafia investigation unit.

Mr. Borsellino's family has rejected a state funeral for him and postponed his burial while they sought to contact his daughter. Fiamtta, the youngest of three children, who is on vacation in Indonesia and is believed to have been told of her father's assassination only

After the May 23 killing of Judge Giovanno Falcone, Italy's most senior anti-Mafia crusader, Rome issued a decree suspending visiting privileges for 55 senior Mafia clan bosses and instead, offering incentives and protection to mobsters who turned informer. Under Italian law, the decree must be confirmed by parliament by early August; most political parties say they will support it.

However, some experts argue that there are already sufficient laws in place to combat the mob. "The problem is to apply the existing laws," said a sociologist and author, Pino Ar-

As the authorities seek to piece together the events leading up to the latest assassination, the German police confirmed that Mr. Borsellino had been in Mannheim in early July to interview a Mafia informer held there. The informer was said by investigators to have been giving information on Mafia operations.

A Symbol of Germany's Polarized Jews

Many in Community Resented Galinski's Combative Emphasis on the Past

By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service BERLIN - The death of the man who ran Berlin's vestigial Jewish community for its en-tire 43-year postwar history has left Jews in Germany deeply divided about their future in a enuntry where Jews and Germans alike have long enncentrated more on the Holocaust than on the community's furnre.

Heinz Galinski, a 79-year-old survivor of Auschwitz whose arm was tattoed with the number 104412, died Sunday night after failing to recover from a heart operation.

As chairman of the Central Council of German Jews, the tax-supported organization that represents the 35,000 Jews who register their religion with the government, Mr. Galinski spoke graphically of Nazi crimes and demanded that younger Germans prove their distance from the Holocaust by showing greater tolerance for foreigners living among them.

But many Jews, particularly among the estimated 15,000 who refuse to register with the government, found his combative style and rejection of non-Orthodox Jews counterpro-

They said that Mr. Galinski's repeated statement that "I did not survive Auschwitz to keep my mouth shut today" contributed to a German view of Jews as a community focused only on the past

"One is never happy when another man dies, but this death opens the way for a new genera-tion," said Abraham Meltzer, publisher of Semit Times, a Jewish magazine frequently critical of Mr. Galinski. "The time is ripe for Jews to decide if they really want to live here as foreigners or to recognize themselves as Germans, knowing that the relationship will always have reservations."

Mr. Meltzer said that the government, which treated Mr. Galinski with particular care, was "quite pleased" to have German Jews led by someone who "emphasized only the past and made no present demands for the community."

Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President

Richard von Weizsäcker, along with several other officials, are expected to attend Mr. Gahere will be Russians. We are obliged to help

linski's funeral Friday.
Mr. Kohl called Mr. Galinski, leader of Berlin Jews since 1949 and of all German Jews im Jews since 1949 and or an Orthuga School 1988, "an untiring fighter for humanity, justice and understanding." The head of the opposition Social Democratic Party, Björn Enghnim, praised Mr. Galinski's "battle Enghnim, praised Mr. Galinski's "battle against hate" as well as "his battle against the desire to forget."

"I am controversial, I make some people unenmfortable," Mr. Galinski observed a few months ago. "But to be discomfiting is not a

negative characteristic." Mr. Galinski, who cultivated cactus plants as hobby, said then that Jews in Germany must ealize that "a generational change is upon us.

Very soon, if not already, a majority of Jews

PARIS - President François Mitterrand

has decided that wreaths no longer will be

laid in his name at the tomh of the wartime collaborationist leader, Marshal Philippe Pé-

Mitterrand to Drop

Tributes to Pétain

these people." Despite his efforts to win a more open immi-

gration policy from Bonn, the legal status of several thousand Jews from the former Soviet Union who moved to Germany after the fall of the Berlin Wall remains unclear.

Mr. Galinski fought continually with Israeli

Jewish community in the country that spawned "I am stuck between a rock and a hard

place," he said. "Of course I would like all Jews-to go to Israel. But people will come here if we', want them to or not. Mr. Galinski hrooked no challenge to his rule

Jews who could not conceive of a flourishing.

of the Jewish community, regularly banning opponents from meetings and refusing to acknowledge the existence of Jewish organizations outside his control. But he could and did make eloquent connec-

tions between the Nazi terror and the dangers of today's radical rightist political parties and neo-Nazi gangs.

We demand education in the schools and we

offer ourselves to the schools to come and speak simply about our experiences," Mr. Galinski said recently. "Only then can we change atti-tudes toward the skinheads and neo-Nazis. We already experienced in this country what happens when people look away. And now again, this antipathy toward foreigners. I appeal to the

people not to look away again." ■ Desecration in Synagogue

Neo-Nazis delivered two pigs' heads to a synagogue in the East German city of Erfurt wrapped in letters rejoicing over the death of Mr. Galinski, Reuters reported. The letters accompanying the insult — pigs are considered unclean animals by the Jewish faithful — said that all Jews should die, a police spokesman said. Four skinheads left the pigs' heads on

Monday night, he said.

Bernhard Vogel, premier of the eastern state of Thuringia, condemned the action as an "ap-palling and outrageous desecration" of Mr.

tain, the French Jewish activist Serge Klarsfeld said Tnesday. The president was jeered by protesters on July 16 when be came to lay a wreath at a ceremony enumemorating the 50th anniver-

sary of a mass round-up of Paris Jews by Vichy France's police. The annual wreath-laying by a presidential aide at the Pétain tomb, on the lie d'Yeu in the Bay of Biscay, where he died imprisoned in 1951, has been presented by the authorities as a tribute to Petain's role as victor of the Battle of Verdun during World War I.

2d Crash Puts New Doubt on Experimental Plane

WASHINGTON - The crash of an experimental military aircraft into the Potomac River has cast doubt on the future of the bybrid aircraft, already the source of debate between Congress and the Defense Department.

The crash Monday came as the craft, a V-22. Osprey, was preparing to land at the Marine Corps Base at Quantico, Virginia, All seven persons aboard are believed to have died, although the search for bodies was continuing

The crash involved a prototype of the Osprey, a "tiltrotor" aircraft that takes off and lands vertically like a helicopter but flies straight ahead like an airplane.

After takeoff, the engines tilt so that their thrust is directed to the rear instead of down. The craft is intended to carry troops from ship

The crash occurred while the Osprey was on its final approach. The aircraft was flying forward, then slowed to tilt its engines for landing. The cause of the crash is being investigated.

The crash involved the fourth of five prototype Ospreys built by the military since 1989. Another prototype crashed last summer in Delaware, but no one was hurt.

Monday's crash could have an impact on congressional debate over the future of the V-22. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, who earlier had sought to kill the Osprey because he said it was too expensive, recently proposed a compromise to keep the program alive. The proposal was to be considered this week by the House and Senate armed services committees.

Muslims Criticized In Sarajevo Firing

The vehemence of the protest forced security

agents to hustle President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, Prime Minister Giuliano Amato and Police

Chief Vincenzo Parisi out of Palermo's ancient

cathedral as hostile Sicilians mobbed them,

pointing accusing fingers, jeering at their lead-ers and calling them "buffoons."

of public confidence faced by the authorities,

even as the government was reported close

Thesday to endorsing harsh new measures against organized crime that recalled the battle

against urban terrorism more than a decade

ago. The protest, moreover, has spread to the

very people the authorities want to support and

Both Palermo's mayor, Aldo Rizzi, and a

leading investigator, Vittorio Teresi, quit their posts Tuesday. Hundreds of police officers in

Rome demonstrated outside government of-fices to decry what they termed official impo-

tence in the face of the Mafia, whose latest

killings - among the most dramatic in its long

history - have stunned many Italians.

carry out the new measures.

The outburst illuminated the deepening crisis

SARAJEVO—An airlift of food cause of renewed fighting.

Lord Carrington said he had and medicine to Sarajevo was restarted, stopped and then started again on Tuesday as mortar shells fell on the airport of the capital of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Lord Carrington, the chief negonator in the Balkan civil war for the European Community, said all sides were at fault for breaking a truce that came into effect only

But he particularly criticized the Muslims, who have allied them-selves with ethnic Croats in fighting the Serbs. "The Muslims are breaking the cease-fire as much if not more than anyone else," he said in Belgrade, capital of Serbia and of what remains of federal Yugo-

In Sarajevo, the airlift was sus-pended at 11 A.M. after a mortar round landed about 6 meters (20 feet) from an airport control post manned by UN soldiers, said Ron Redmond, representing the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

The commander of the UN Major General Lewis Mac-Kenzie of Canada, decided to reopen the airport at 1:10 P.M. after the shelling and machine-gun fire subsided, Mr. Redmond said.

Bonn Takes 5,000 More Refugees the flights all day on Monday be-

warned the Bosnian government to cusure that its forces honored the truce. The negotiator said he had also asked Slobodan Milosevic, the Serbian leader, to instruct Radovan could not continue to carry the Karadzic, head of Bosnia's ethnic load for the rest of Europe. Serbs "how vital it was that this

cease-fire should work." Central Sarajevo was relatively quiet by early evening. But local officials said a battle was raging for the Dobrinja suburb, near the airport, with Scrbian gunners outside the southwestern suburb targeting ward with more money. Commenting on the refugees positions of its mostly Muslim de-

At one point, it was being hit by about 20 mortar shells a minute. The officials said two people had been killed in Sarajevo in the last 24 hours. By contrast, 22 people were killed in one day by Serbian

blocked at the borders."

and Austria would also take up to 5,000 refugees each, mostly women and children. He could not say how borders.

disappointed by the European Community's failure to act more

to increase their share of refugees, but came away with no prom more refugees as part of "an inter-

Residents of Bosnia-Herzegovi-

When asked whether the government's reference to its actions as "one-time" meent no more Yugoslav refugees would be admitted to Germany, Mr. Seiters declined to

He said any comment could be a "false signal" to EC nations and the splintered Yugoslav states.



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itants of the mixed town. No one was hurt. Phone lines to Gorazde have been cut for two months by Serbs and information from there is scanty. But Bosnian defense officials said that 70 civilians had been

nia's BH press agency said the The United Nations had stopped streets were "covered with blood." MEMORY Psychologists Debate

belief. "The terrible thing is that it's a situation where, finally, you just don't know what the truth is about something that may have happened decades ago," said Dr. John Kihl-

strom, a psychologist at the University of Arizona and a leader in research on memory. Dr. Kihlstrom and other researchers are part of a scientific debate over whether the methods sometimes used by therapists to retrieve memories of sexual abuse can lead to fabricated memories. The debate has implications beyond the therapy session, as a mounting number of adults who

induce a trancelike state. And now some parents, saying they have been falsely accused, are

> at the University of California at Berkeley, says: "The therapist for repressed sexual abuse, and, since patients want to please therapists, that interest reinforces anythat direction. Then the therapist gets the patient to actively imagine an image of abuse, saying, Try to picture this happening to you,' and encourages the patient to elaborate

becomes convinced that it was not merely imagination, but a re-

ma of such abuse can lead people to repress their memories of what

killed over the last 24 hours. Bos-

artillery, from Sunday to Monday.

Fighting also continued to dev-

Some therapists say that even if a memory of childhood abuse is only symbolically true, it should be taken seriously in therapy, even if it is not objectively true. Others fear that the debate over the credibility of some memories of childhood abuse will be used to discredit people who are in the difficult position making legitimate assertions

that long-past abuses took place. The debate focuses on the methods some therapists use to help German newspapers on Tuesday put the blame with France and people retrieve repressed memories, particularly hypnosis and "narcoanalysis," in which the seda-tive amobarbital sodium is used to

Critics object to the ease with which such methods can be skewed by influence from the therapist.

Dr. Richard Ofshe, a sociologist starts out by presupposing a search thing the client comes up with in on that fantasy. Then the patient

Compiled by Our Stuff From Disputches BONN - In what it called a "one-time humanitarian" gesture, Germany said Tuesday it would from Bosnia-Herzegovina but

Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters said the federal government would split housing costs with German states, which had agreed to accept Bosnian refugees halted at various border points if Bonn came for-

caught in filthy trains at the border between Croatia and Slovenia, Herbert Schnoor, the interior minister of North Rhine-Westphalia This reminds me of reports

about Jews who wanted to leave the Third Reich for Switzerland or Palestine or other countries and were Bonn's decision to let 5,000 refu-

astate Gorazde, where tens of thousands of refugees from Serbs were gees in would probably attract sheltered with about 30,000 inhabmore, he said, but then he added take in more people."

Mr. Sciters said he expected Italy

The minister estimated that the latest influx would cost Germany several million marks, but he could not be more specific.

German officials said they were decisively on the refugee crisis, the largest since World War II. Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel, at an EC meeting in Brussels on Monday, had urged his colleagues

Mr. Seiters renewed Germany's plea to all EC countries to accept national burden-sharing action."

While German officials have refused publicly to point fingers, government sources said that Britain and Spain were most opposed to taking a quota of refugees.

na require visas for Germany. Mr. Seiters said the requirement would not be lifted, but that Germany was granting emergency visas for up to 5,000 refugees.

Up to 150,000 residents of the former Yugoslav federation have come to Germany this year, Mr. Scatters said, adding that Germany had already spent 150 million Deutsche marks (\$100 million) since the start of fighting in Bosnia-

Middle East Movement

In a fallow political season for the Bush administration, unexpected succor beckons from the Holy Land. Secretary of State James Baker is back oo the Mideast shuttle trying to restart the stalled Arab-Israeli peace talks. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin went to Cairo on Tuesday for the first such meeting in six years with President Hosni Mubarak. All this underscores a promising shift in Israeli diplomacy, from the blame game to let's make a deal.

The new outlook was evident in Sunday's decision by Mr. Rabin's cabinet to halt ocw settlements in the West Bank and Gaza pending review of all construction approved by the previous, hard-line government. This moves Israel closer to the freeze demanded by Arabs and sought by President George Bush as the precondition for \$10 billion in U.S. loan guarantees for resettling Russian immigrants.

It is true that Mr. Rabin has yet to distinguish precisely between "political" settlements, which he opposes, and "secu-rity" settlements, which he favors, presumahly in East Jerusalem, the Jordan Valley and the Golan Heights. But his Labor-led coalition asserts that these exceptions entail oothing like the 16,500 housing units feverishly begun under for-mer Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Mr. Baker was right to praise Labor's path-hreaking coocession, and right to call for matching gestures from the Arabs. One possible deal has long been on the table. Mr. Baker a year ago urged Arabs to end an injurious and spiteful economic boycott of Israel in return for a freeze on new settlements. The idea won the support of Egypt and, more surprisingly, Sandi Arabia. Mr. Shamir dismissed the deal out of hand on grounds that the embargo was illegal while settlements, in his view, were not. What Mr. Rabin has done is to move the

dispute from legalism and ideology to a pragmatic concern for peace and security. In his inaugural address he movingly appealed to Israelis to overcome "the sense of isolation that has held us in its thrall," to join the global movement toward peace and to do everything possible to fit into a new world. This is a welcome change from sullen defensiveness.

It is a change, moreover, that augurs well for the Bush administration's patient brokering of peace talks, which began in Ma-drid, continued inconclusively in Washington and will resume in Rome. Mr. Baker now has a chance to capitalize on a warmer atmosphere, and to persuade Israel's adver-saries to abandon all-or-nothing for give-and-take. The familiar dangers abound zealotry, self-delusion and terrorism - yet amazingly this caravan is still moving. Meantime, Americans will hope that

Mr. Baker can make a good case to Congress for approving loan guarantees, so that Israel may get on with providing homes and work for its oewest settlers. That is a bounce that the Bush administration will have earned and deserves.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Good Anti-Deficit Ideas

Among the things Ross Perot left behind last week appears to have been a pretty good plan to balance the budget. A major theme of his ephemeral candidacy was that the major-party candidates were ignoring the budget deficit and he would oot. He was right about them. The quesdoo is whether, for all the Mr. Bigwrench talk, he will oow embrace the worthy program he caused to be drawn up, candidate or oot - or will he walk away from it, too?

The plan he did oot issue would likely have been a great surprise to some of Ross Perot's strongest supporters. He had en-couraged them, and the public generally, in the false notion that the budget could be easily balanced at little cost to the average person if only the politicians would try. You could do it and hardly break a sweat, he bragged early on. But the people he then hired to tell him how told him, to the contrary, that it could be convincingly done only by raising broad-based taxes and slowing some of the benefit programs that are the budget's great engines. That engine room includes Social Security and Medicare, together a third of all spending for other than interest oo the debt.

President George Bush says it is possible to balance the budget without increasing taxes or cutting Social Security. He is blowing smoke. Bill Clinton has pretty well abandoned the goal of balancing the budget or redocing the deficit below the levels to which it is already likely to go in the next four years, on grounds that it is more important to increase federal "investment" and get the economy moving again. We think he is wrong and skipping past the problem as well. But Mr. Perot bad also a political lesson, but of a different kind. suggested that it might be possible to get

increase, a step that at one point he said should be reserved for emergencies.

The former candidate is said to have been shocked at what he learned about reducing the deficit - how hard it is. Presumably as an alternative to raising the income tax (the preferable policy), his advisers, in the package they are reported to have assembled for him, included a 50-cent-per-galloo increase in the federal gasoline tax, what have been described as sharp increases in the alcohol and tohacco taxes, a limit oo business lunches and other such entertainment deductions, and a possible limit on the mortgage interest deductioo on bouses over a certain value. Every one of them is a good policy.

Mr. Perot was likewise told be would

have to try to save some part of the fifth of the budget that is Social Security costs; the alternatives reportedly suggested were to limit the annual cost-of-living increases in benefits or (the better choice, because it would shield the poor) subject a larger share of benefits to the income tax. The choices also included cutting defense by some \$40 hillion more than the president has proposed over the oext five years, cutting health care costs, and such lesser steps as killing the space station, limiting farm supports above a certain income level and raising the timbering fees on federal lands.

Again, these are good policies all. It is too bad Mr. Perot bas not as yet embraced them, if, indeed, he ever intends to. It would bave educated his followers and the country generally, which be said was a goal. The list without the brave endorsement also teaches

Gradually in Mexico

conformed to a predictable pattern. The government always declared that its candidate had scored a resounding victory; opposition parties always protested that they had been victimized by outright fraud. That pattern put Mexico out of step with the rest of the Western Hemisphere, where honest, democratic elections have increasingly become the rule. Credit is oow due to President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, himself the beneficiary of a tainted election four years ago, for rewriting the old, rigged rules.

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Mexican elections remain far from pristine, hut the ruling Institutional Revolu-tionary Party, or PRI, has now learned how to acknowledge defeat. That is welcome news, not only for Mexico hut also for the United States, as the two countries move

toward close economic integration. On Sunday the state of Chihuahua became the second in the country to certify an election victory by the National Action Party, or PAN. Baja California was the first, three years ago. The business-oriented PAN, which shares the government's out-

Uotil very recently, all Mexican elections look on basic economic issues, has now achieved at least a grudging legitimacy within what was a ooe-party system. But the more radical Democratic Revolu-

donary Party, or PRD, continues to face official resistance. The PRD was ruled to have lost last week's race for governor of Michoacán, its main state stronghold, The voting was marred by abuses, but these were probably not enough to have decided the outcome. The popularity of the PRD has been waning, largely as a result of successful government economic policies. Still, a transparent process would have made the outcome more credible.

Mexico's moves toward an open political system still lag behind its efforts toward a more open economy. Few expect a truly democratic presidential contest in 1994. And PAN needs to fight for its electoral gains. But the Chihuahua results represent real progress, unthinkable even four years ago. Americans can welcome these signs of creeping democracy, even as they recognize that true pharalism is oot yet at hand.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

A Solution for the Spratlys?

Oil and geography are an explosive mix. In a region distinguished by a mini arms race that is happening just when the rest of the world has begun to disarm, it is not prudent to allow the Spratty Islands issue to simmer without evolving a mechanism for mternational resolution of the dispute.

China, with the largest standing army in the world, has made oeighbors anxious over her regional designs. Vietnam, historically antagonistic toward China, also maintains one of the largest armed forces in the world. In addition, the member nations of the

Association of Southeast Asian Nations have, over the last few years, embarked on large weapons acquisitions to modernize their fighting capabilities.

Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus indicated his intention to take the opportunity offered by this week's ASEAN ministerial meeting in Manila to test the idea of organizing an international conference on the Spratlys. There is much to gain and little to lose. We hope the proposal takes off sooo before this part of the world becomes enmeshed in a cycle of mounting hostility and a frantic arms race.

- The Manila Chronicle.

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There May Be Time to Save Yeltsin's Presidency

By Hobart Rowen

N EW YORK — Boris Yeltsin, according to U.S. Ambassador Robert Strauss, will do whatever he has to do to survive as president of Russia. If that means he must fire his deputy prime minister, Yegor Gaidar, his point man for economic reform, he will not hesitate, the U.S. envoy predicts.

Mr. Strauss was eager to talk in an interview about the struggle be-tween Mr. Yeltsin and those Rus-sian nationalists who think that he blundered when he agreed to support the West's "shock therapy" for onomic reform.

Mr. Strauss has told Secretary of State James Baker that the reform timetable Mr. Yeltsin endorsed will result in high levels of unemploy-ment — 3 million to 5 million Russians out of work within a year.

The American would regard the dropping of Mr. Gaidar as a tragedy, he sees Mr. Yeltsin and Mr. Gaidar as the West's best hope of keeping the enormous potential of Russia Westem-oriented, "I don't know of a horse to ride as good as Gaidar," he said. He calls Mr. Yeltsin's chances of survival "fair." As a racing aficionado, be makes the odds no better than 8-to-5. "I think the deal they made with the

International Monetary Fund" - a \$1 billion down payment on a \$24 billion loan in exchange for Moscow's pledges of austerity — "is going to be terribly difficult for them to conform to," Mr. Strauss said. "I don't know how they will get from here to there." "They have never experienced un-

employment before, and they have no

system in place to handle it. Yeltsin

and Gaidar know that everything

they'd like to do can't be done over-

night. They've got to slow the pace down. There's a limit to how much tolerance the Russian people have." Mr. Strauss believes that the IMF timetable for reform of the budget and monetary system will sip substantially. Mr. Gaidar, who has started to enact tough economic reform measures, is assailed by the intelligentsia, old-line Communists, the military and older persons who "have a serious question as to whether all this is worthwhile," Mr. Strauss said. Anti-

close their doors. Another Russian expert who thinks

reformers gain strength as prices rise

and old command-style companies

daway of George Washington Univer-sity. Mr. Reddaway suggests that to save himself, Mr. Yeltsin may do more than abandon Mr. Gaidar: He could drop his commitment to democracy

and revert to authoritarian ways.

Mr. Strauss sidestepped comment
on Mr. Reddaway's thesis. But he conceded that anti-reform elements within Russia are getting stronger. Mr. Yelisin has already appointed a few reform opponents to high-level positions, and last weekend the head of the Russian central bank, a Gaidar ally, was forced to quit.

There's tremendous pressure on Yeltsin to reverse Gaidar," said Mr. Stranss. "And if Yeltsin has to do it to stay in power, Gaidar will go."
Mr. Strauss added: "Yeltsin is a real

political animal. He knows there are certain things he can't do and survive politically. I have said to him and Gaidar that there's one thing you'd be a darm fool to do: 'You can't make an agreement with anybody that you'd default on in 90 days; and second, don't commit to do things that would destroy you politically."

IMF and World Bank sources say

that shock therapy will prove too strong for Mr. Yeltsin is Peter Red-that Mr. Stranss is not exaggerating

For example, the effort, led by the president of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, Gerald Corrigan, to create a simple banking system from scratch has bumped into incredible difficulties. Concepts as routine to Westerners as putting cash into a bank account and determining interest rates are oew and foreign.

Mr. Strauss is trying to send a message to Western powers on aiding Russia: It is a difficult process, but it must be pursued. For the United States, there would be a special dividend in success. The Russians, if they remmed to major power status, would be espe-cially well disposed to America.

Mr. Strauss, who will retire as am-bassador this fall, was derided by Foreign Service professionals as being too inexperienced for the sensitive Moscow post. But his political antennae make him a keen observer. Those who shape U.S. policy should listen to what he is saying: Mr. Yeltsin and his government need more time than they have been given to adjust to free markets. The West may not be able to save Yegor Gaidar, but there may be time to save Boris Yeltsin. The Washington Post.

Velvet Czech-Slovak Divorce Has Its Rough Side

D RAGUE --- Regardless of when I the oew Czech and Slovak states emerge, there is little doubt that the demise of the federation will have far-reaching effects on European se-

curity, both positive and oegative.

The peaceful end of Czechoslovakia will show that drastic political change and nationalist aspirations can be accommodated without the sort of violence that destroyed Yugoslavia.

But the spht will be another sign of prowing disorder and St of Eastern Europe. For some states, the advent of national self-determination was long overdue. In Czechoslovakia, the results seem less salutary.

Despite the long-standing tensions between Czechs and Slovaks, the Crechoslovak federation had been. since 1989, one of the few success stories in Eastern Europe, politically and economically. The post-Communist changes that wrought such havoc elsewhere were implemented relatively smoothly in Czechoslovakia. "If Czechoslovakia is oow unable to survive the transition," Egon Lansky, the Czechoslovak ambassador to the Council of Europe, has warned, "that makes things look pretty hleak for the other ex-Communist societies."

The problems caused by the breakup will be particularly onerous for Slovakia. A split is likely to foment

WASHINGTON —The failure of U.S. nuclear nonprolifera-don goals in the case of Pakistan is

oot a result of the Bush administra-

tion's leniency toward Pakistan, as

Senator John Glenn has suggested

in comment on this page (June 26). Rather, it reflects administration

and congressional disregard of the

ouclear programs of India -and of

Mr. Glenn is a crusader for con-

proliferation, but his single-minded

focus on Pakistan's nuclear pro-

gram is seen there as quixotic and

misguided. Alarmed by the Indian

nuclear explosion in 1974, Pakistan

embarked upon a ouclear program of its own soon afterward. Because

of its close relationship with the

United States and, more specifical-

ly, because of the Symington and

Glenn amendments of 1976 and

1977, Pakistan exercised enormous

self-restraint. When the Pressler

amendment was adopted in 1984,

Pakistan altered its self-restraint

The U.S. administration's alleged

indulgeoce of Pakistan through

these years was motivated by the

larger factor of virtual Soviet annex-

ation of Afghanistan. Had Pakistan

not made it almost impossible for

the now defunct state to expand its

sphere of influence toward its south-ern flank, and had the Soviets not

suffered unbearable economic and

military attrition in Afghanistan, the

Soviet Union might still be alive.

The ouclear programs of the vari-

ous other countries earlier men-

tioned would also have existed -

It is well known to the Bush ad-

ministration and to those in Con-

gress who look at all the facts that

Pakistan is a strong advocate of nuclear comproliferation. Pakistan

except, of course, Pakistan's.

guidelines to meet the new law.

Israel and South Africa.

long harbored grievances against the Slovaks. Vladimir Meciar, who had long threatened to seek independence for Slovakia, has tried to defer an outright split until the end of 1993. so that Slovakia could continue receiving ocarly \$300 million worth of subsidies oext year from the caretaker made clear that all subsidies will be

terminated in December. Mr. Meciar has repeatedly said that Slovakia will tolerate only one official language and that the Hungarian community should integrate itself more fully into Slovak culture. Unrest among the Hungarian minority will greatly increase tensions with Hungary. Earlier this month, the Hungarian prime minister urged that the ethnic Hungarians be granted full autonomy, much to the initation of the Slovak authorities. Hungarian leaders have promised to defend ethnic Hungarians abroad against perse-cution, and they have threatened to impose sanctions and consider even

stronger measures if necessary. To deter interference by Hungary - and other oeighbors, such as Ukraine - Slovak officials have in-

Don't Blame Proliferation on Pakistan

By Ali Sarwar Nagvi

The writer is deputy chief of mission at the Embassy of Pakistan.

has made the following proposals:

Establishment of a ouclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia, a

proposal which has been endorsed

repeatedly by the United Nations

General Assembly since 1974.

In view of India's opposition to such a zone, a proposal in 1978 that Pakistan and India issue a joint dec-

laration denouncing acquisioon or manufacture of nuclear weapons.

A proposal in 1979 for a system of bilateral inspection of all nuclear

facilities on a reciprocal basis, simul-

taneous acceptance of International

Atomic Energy Agency safeguards and accession to the Nuclear Non-

A 1987 proposal for a nuclear

The government of Prime Minis-

ter Nawaz Sharif inherited in 1990

a situation in which the United

States had abruptly stopped some

\$600 million in annual economic

and military assistance because of

the Pressler amendment. He knew

that Pakistan's nuclear program in

1990 was (and remains) at the same

level as that of October 1989, when

a presidential certification had been made for the Pressler amend-

ment. He felt that denial of certifi-

cation and the subsequent aid cut-

To resolve this misunderstand-

ing, the prime minister made a ma-

jor proposal for regional nuclear

conproliferation on June 6, 1991.

One of his ideas called for a five-

nation conference on ouclear con-

cerns regarding South Asia, as originally suggested to Pakistan and

off were unwarranted.

cooproliferation agreement in South Asia under the United Nations.

proliferation Treaty.

By Mark Kramer restiveness among the 600,000 ethnic dicated that they will seek at first to Hungarians in Slovakia, who have maintain a common military estabmaintain a common military establishment with the Czech republic. But the Czech government, which will inherit the best military units and bases from the old federal state, has said that it has no intention of committing Czech troops to the defense of an independent Slovakia. Some Slovak leaders have talked

of forming a separate army, but it is unlikely that Slovakia will have sufficient money or personnel to raise more than a token force. In other ways as well, independence

will be costly for Slovakia, where the economic situation is already bad. The free market reforms that the federal government has adopted in the last two years helped push unemployment in Slovakia to about 12 percent, more than three times the rate in the wealthier Czech republic. Growing popular dissatisfaction

with the economy was what enabled Mr. Meciar to win the Slovak elections on June 6. But he is not known for his economic acumen, and his advisers seem to have given little thought to the long-term economic implications of a split.

The promises that the Slovak leader has made to increase subsi-

India hy the Bush administration in the fall of 1990. At the same time,

the chairman of the Pakistan Senate

was sent to Washington to explain Pakistan's intention to freeze its

ouclear program until a nuclear

proliferation regime was estab-

lished in the region. It was also

explained that further action by Pa-

kistan would necessarily depend

upon parallel action by India.

This was a realistic and rational

position reflecting the principle of

mutual nuclear restraint. Contrary

to insinuations made by Mr. Glenn,

there is no duplicity and discrepan-

cy in what Pakistan is saying, and there is no difference in the know-

ledge or information about its nu-clear program in the U.S. adminis-

Mr. Glenn's article looks back-

ward. He must apply his enormous

political weight and zeal to per-suade India to accept the U.S. ini-

tiative for a five-nation conference.

imbalanced: Sanctions have been

applied against Pakistan, which has

a record of substantive action to-

ward ouclear restraint, but no pres-

sure is being brought to bear upon India, which bypocritically refuses even to acknowledge the reality of a

ouclear program that it started in

elements in the U.S. Congress are

focusing on the perfectly legiti-

mate commercial sale of military

spare parts to Pakistan. Achieving

this shortsighted objective would

cripple the operational functioning of the Pakistan armed forces

and might impel the government

of Pakistan to pursue other mili-

tary purchases and resume devel-

The Washington Post.

opment of its ouclear program.

To add insult to injury, some

1974 and continues to this date.

The present situation is woefully

tration and Congress.

dies to ailing state enterprises, slow privatization and reimpose some price controls may have a populist appeal, bot they will aggravate and prolong Slovakia's economic woes. Nor has Mr. Meciar explained how be will finance his proposals.

The Czech republic, spurred by Vaclav Klaus's advocacy of a radical

free market program, is better placed economically to withstand separation. The losses in the Czech republic will be more difficult to measure, but at least in the short term the breakup will hurt Czech pocketbooks. The pohtical uncertainty has stirred apprehension among potential foreign in-vestors. And Mr. Klaus's planned privatization of industry, which was due to accelerate this summer and fall, may have to be reworked to account for firms that depended on supplies or investments from both republics. Contracts and economic agreements that the federal government signed, including an association agreement with the European Community, will have to he renegotiated.

And the Czech government may soon find itself at odds with its neigh-bors. Mr. Klaus has vowed to steer the country more decisively toward the West. He is determined to have the Czech republic admitted to the European Community as soon as possible. Well before the elections, when Mr. Klaus was still finance minister, he had spoken contemptuously about the slowdown of reforms in Poland. Now that he is able to act on his sentiments as Czech prime minister, tensions between the Czech republic and its eastwhile partners are bound to increase.

The disintegration of Czechoslova-kia will be peaceful, but it cannot help but bolster feelings of insecurity in Central Europe. Coming after the Soviet Union's demise, the violence in Bosnia-Herzegovina and the bloody conflict in Moldova, the Czech-Slovak split will be more traumatic than it might otherwise have been.

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He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

reform. He was attacked by the old guard as dangerously radical and criticized by impatient young reformers as too cautious. He continued to push for reform,

Bao Tong's persistent efforts to grapple with seemingly clashing viewpoints and his personal sacri-fice for a vision of a better future for

vidual courage and self-sacrifice for

computer engineering at New Jersey Institute of Technology. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

1892: Travelers' Tribute

PARIS — The London papers pay tribute to the memory of Mr. Thomas Cook. Mr. Cook began by arranging the excursions from Leicester to London. An extension was soon made to Edinhurgh and Glasgow. Then Paris, Switzerland and Italy were captured. and later Turkey, Asia Minor, Egypt and the Holy Land. When the Gordon Relief Expedition was despatched to Khartoum, Messrs. Cook were entrusted with conveying troops and stores. In peace and war the veteran father of tourist traveling rendered service to his countrymen.

1917: Neutrals Rationed

NEW YORK --- President Wilson has just put a stop to the revictualling of Germany through neutral channels. Neutrals will be rationed in propornion to their populations, and if abuses continue in any country the supplies from America will be can off. The President yesterday [June 20] put into

pionage Law which permits him to take this step. Mr. Redfield, Secretary of Commerce, announced, "Neutral countries have been increasing their purchases from the us in such proportions that the Allies themselves drew our attention to the fact while alluding

WASHINGTON — [From our New York edition:] President Roosevelt announced today [July 21] that Admiral William D. Leahy had been called back to active drive as third of called back to active duty as chief of staff of the Commander in Chief, and Washington is speculating as to just how much power has been conferred.

on the 67-year-old diplomat and... Navy officer and whether it meant that he was to be America's war lord of the second front. The President himself advised the press not to make it more important than it was. He said ... Admiral Leahy's job would be to relieve the president of a lot of leg work.

A Patriot Who Sought Reforms

By Bao Pu

KEARNY, New Jersey — Bao Tong, my father, was put on trial this Tuesday in Beijing and, after oearly three years of detention, sen-tenced to an additional seven years in prison. The case has attracted considcrable international attention because my father was the top aide to the ousted Communist Party chairman, Zhao Ziyang, who sympathized with the students in Tiananmen Square. His trial may have implica-tions both for Mr. Zhao and for the

fate of economic and social reform.

I want people to see my father for himself, to understand his strength of character and how his hopes and beliefs have been trampled on to serve the ambitions of others.

As Mr. Zhao's chief of staff, Bao Tong was deputy director of the State Commission for Economic Reform from 1980 to 1987. This commission developed policies that successfully dissolved thousands of communes, which had stifled the productivity of some 800 million farmers for more than three decades. In cities, primitinan inree decades. In cities, primi-tive market systems were set up and ourtured. A few cities were opened for foreign investment. Deng Xiao-ping's intentions for economic re-form were carried out with great care.

My father ardently believed in the necessity of political reform. From 1987 to 1989 he was the director of the Political Reform Research Center, a research and policy-making institution. He was in charge of developing an extensive program for re-form, including plans for separating the powers of party and state, setting. up a fair and equitable civil service system and promoting democratic procedures in party and government,

The market system grew while the old economic system slowly dissolved. Privatization took place in various ways. Public property first started to fall into the hands of the most impoverished, who were also the most eager for change. But those with the right connections in the old bureaucracy had the best access to new opportunities, and the use of bureaucratic power for financial gain became incredibly tempting. Some made outrageous fortunes in comparison to average wages.

Anger brewed among those who still depended on the old system; to them it appeared that the reform mostly benefited corrupt bureau-crats. The profound social changes that resulted from the initial economic reforms made the reformers vulnerable. The proposals for political reform sharply aggravated the party's internal struggles. Reform-

ers were personally attacked as sup-porters of "bourgeois liberalism.". In the spring of 1989, the people's anger and impatience with reform expressed itself in the students' prodemocracy movement. Conservatives in the leadership seized this as a pretext to overthrow the faction that threatened them. Zbao Ziyang was ousted and Bao Tong was arrested

and held near Berjing in Quacheng, a special prison for political prisoners. My father considered economic inequities unavoidable in the early stages of reform and felt that corruption was dangerous to its progress. He strongly believed that regimes that become autocratic are bound to degenerate and that personal gain was incompatible with serving the public interest.

He persisted, aware of the precari-

ousness of his position. In 1987 and 1989 he quietly endured numerous political attacks, hoping to avoid any ideological controversies that might destroy the chance to proceed with

despite what be saw as the inescap-able predicament of all reformers of . a communist system. As with Mikhail-Gorbachev, attacks would come from all sides — from old party veterans and from the people, whose lives were disturbed by the economic and social instability that accompanies change.

the people of China exemplifies the kind of courage and strength respected by people everywhere.

My father's trial was not just a political event. It and the sentence against him are an attack on values that have universal respect - indi-

a greater good. The writer is a graduate student in

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So Much for Deserter Perot

By A. M. Rosenthal

N EW YORK — Ross Perot still has two impor-tant things he can do in American political life. One is to shut up and the other is to get out. That is not meant simply as a piece of impleasan ness, although that is certainly one intent. It is an alert to him, to his friends and family and to all who

once put their hopes in him.

Mr. Perot now suggests to those he betrayed that if they want him, why, he may lead or guide their political movement even though he has quit as

ON MY MIND

presidential contender. Just suggesting that adds serious injury to serious insult. He can be neither

The reason is that former Lieutenant Perot is otherwise occupied, facing a moral court-martial by his countrymen on these charges;

I. AWOL in the face of political combat. Self-

explanatory.

2. Abandonment of his troops, Self-explanatory. Falsification of intelligence. Less than 24 hours before he withdrew he was still

encouraging top aides, getting them ready for battle. If some mysterious something came up that knocked him out, he should have revealed it.

. If he quit because he decided he did not have the stomach or the background for political combat or the presidency, he should have said that, too.

If he decided he did not want to spend the time or money, although he had promised he would spend as

much of both as needed, he should have said that. Instead he announced the discovery that the election might go to the House of Representatives, this Texas Christopher Columbus. That phony spiel embarrassed his close confidants even as he spoke.

assumption that there has been a succes-

sion of different rationales for European

integration, or, as he puts it, different

radical ambition than that of mere con-

The innovation -- contained first in

the Treaty of Paris in 1951, then in the

Treaty of Rome in 1957 - was that of pursuing federal ends by functional

means. That meant appealing to inter-

ests and not only ideals. It meant build-

ing the house from the material founds-

The need to prevent new conflicts on

justifications for unity."

made no mystery about it,

European Integration: The Goal Was Clear at the Start

If they keep on apologizing for him they jeopardize their reputations. Handy reference: "Othello," Act III, scene iii, 155.

4. Violation of the code. Ross Perot failed to follow the code of taking personal responsibility for error, taught at Annapolis.

If he had spoken honestly, either of a sudden disqualifying circumstance if there was one, or of his lack of strength to carry on, he would have been a failed politician, but perhaps a respected one. He chose instead to prove that his enemies were right when they said be could not even surrender like a gentleman or officer.

5. Contributing to a moral and political disorder: cynicism. Quitting as he did, he made millions more Americans suspicious of their country, its leaders and the business world.

The leaders did their own contributing. President

George Bush gave up fishing time to throw an embarrassing line at Mr. Perol. Governor Bill Clinton said he was deeply moved by the Perot statement. To nausea, I trust.

Myself, I had thought Mr. Perot was worth listen-ing to. He was shaking up both political parties. And he was the hope of many Americans longing for the kind of change that would reaffirm American economic, moral and democratic worth. And he was worth listening to - then. But no. not now that he has quit cold on American voters,

raised anchor and semaphored the motto on his escutcheon: So long, suckers. The day before he deserted them. Mr. Perot was urging on the experts who had worked out his domestic and foreign policies. He was supposed to disclose them this week. But aside from any secret that may exist, he was losing total control of his world, which he so craves. He was obviously too weak to live

without total domination. He had had to answer the press about his life and



businesses. Now he would have to try to grasp and justify policies that could never be his own. They did not come from his own brain, background or experi-ence. It must have been like one of those nightmares where you find yourself in costume before an opera audience. The lights dim, baton is raised, And you know neither the words nor music.

I could almost feel sorry for the man, if only he had said, "I don't belong here — I can't sing." But he won't walk off the stage, even now. So if he does try to lead or guide a movement created by his followers out of their own hopes, he will injure them further. He will create even more cynicism about the system that made him a billionaire and presidential contender.

Happily for the republic, Americans do not courtmartial political contenders. In return for this grace, former Lieutenant Perot should not add to the list of charges by continuing to impersonate a leader.

The New York Times.

Honestly, the Bisexual Aids Threat

N ASHVILLE, Tennessee — I noticed the slogan showing up on sweatshirts and other forms of social advertising — "Denial Is NOT a River in Egypt." I have often wished that someone elever could think up as good a slogan for getting people to change their sexual behavior, for denial is an important reason why the AIDS epidemic has

spread so far, so fast. And yet, that is the core of the problem. Americans would rather joke about sex than treat it seriously, but sex must be taken seriously. Not only has AIDS killed thousands of people, scien-usts report at the Eighth International Conference on AIDS in Amsterdam that it is spreading, that women are rapidly becoming its victims, and that women could become the primary targets within a decade. Where is the joke?

Writing as a senior citizen and a ter-minally heterosexual black woman. I have to ask: If American culture lacks sexual honesty, how, as a nation, are we to carry out the simplest demands that the AIDS crisis has thrust upon us?

Let's start with the basics: How are we to persuade sexually active people, including married couples, to use con-doms when they engage in sexual activity? When are we going to face the truth that, when it comes to the spread of AIDS, we need to look beyond teenagers and their high rate of infection? As a sex therapist in Washington, I dealt for many years with the sexual concerns of people in all walks of life. People do not seek out sex therapy un-

less they are seriously "hurting" — a trust that I deeply respect.

tinent point. When the East Asian coun-

tries first suffered European colonial in-

cursions they were highly developed civilizations. To make the same claim

for sub-Saharan Africa might be politi-

cally correct, but not historically so. This is relevant to the differing cultural

JAMES KINGSLAND.

Gourdon, France.

attitudes of the two areas.

No Voice for the Fallen?

When truckers in France revolted

withdrawals of driving licenses for

against a point system that could result

highway infractions, where were the

counterrevolutionaries to support the

government? Are there no groups in

France representing the thousands of vic-tims a year mowed down by competitive

speed freaks slashing across the roads and

RICHARD de COMBRAY.

La Colle-sur-Loup, France.

highways? No voice for the fallen?

By June Dobbs Butts

(and predominantly, although not ex-clusively, in the African-American community), so I cannot draw statistical conclusions. But I have come to recognize that bisexuality is a factor of major significance throughout society. I have come to glimpse not only its prevalence but also to deal with the motivations of bisexuals — especially when sexual behavior is hidden from the marital partner. In the AIDS era, this is disturbing particularly because the topic of bisexu-

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ality per se has been little understood. Our society regards human sexuality in general as entertainment and casts a homophobic eye on any behavior that varies from its heterosexual norm, thus driving "variations" underground.
At the same time, bisexuals who cam-

ouflage themselves by engaging in fleeting episodes of anonymous sex do not see the prevention messages about transmission of AIDS that acknowledged homosexuals see everywhere they go. Bisexuals cannot turn to friends and

loved ones to vent their fears about AIDS. And they dare not "blow their cover" by suddenly taking the precau-tions of safer sex practices at home. That is why, as concerned as I am about inappropriate teen sexual activity, I think adults need to be more honest about the role of hisexuality in the

rust that I deeply respect.

In the African-American community,
My private practice has been small

I think our "blind spot" is that old

Group of Seven are to be commended for

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LUIS FAJARDO DIAZ.

nemesis: denial. Despite the tragedy increasing deaths attributable to AUS and to HIV infection among blacks, people close their eyes to bisexuality. But reality informs me that bisexuality. exists all around us.

I have no problem with homosexuality, per se. But I do take issue with hidden, deliberately deceptive life my former (ostensibly heterosexual) was pretend to the world that they straight" while engaging in sects (often for money) with other men. Their pathological indifference to the dangers of HIV infection — to say with the pathology of the second part their lock of sexual honesty. ing about their lack of sexual honesty. dangers them and others. Alfred C. Kinsey classified heterosex-

uality, bisexuality and homosexuality statistically into normative data just be-fore, during and after World War II. I find these classifications outmoded for 1992. From a small research sample I learned that there is an amazing amoun of overlap between those men in a many mine who considered themselve "gay" and those who said they were "straight." The crux of the matter lay in defining bisexuality.

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The men who defined themselves as "gay" actually grew up, as the late Dr. Kinsey would have defined them, "bisexual." And men who called themselves "straight" experienced far more than the allotted six instances of samesex activity decreed by Dr. Kinsey as the dividing line between homosexuality and heterosexuality.

Many men who defined themselves as "straight" told me that growing up in city slums, same-sex behavior was de rigueur. For them it was devoid of erot-ic significance or memory and was often associated with their alcohol and 9drug addiction — behavior they have re renounced today, since being in recov-p-ery from such addictions.

Bisexuality in society needs to be &examined. Only when we as an Ameri-19 can culture can celebrate our sexual 18 maturity with honesty will we have sexual health as a hallmark of our society. Then we can begin to combat AIDS with the most effective "weapons" we have: education and spirit.

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Long Beach, California.

A Shameful Elixir

out punishing the athletes.

The report "Doggonnit! Scoul Blames the Elixir" (Sports, July 15) states that six Korean athletes who failed drug tests were cleared to go to the Olympics in Barcelona. An official of the Korea Olympic Committee said that the traces of steroids found had probably come advertently from drinking kae-soju, a health-drink made by boiling a dog with herbs and spices.

In our opinion, eating an animal as loving and loyal as a dog is good enough reason to be banned from sporting events. We hope these athletes go home with empty pockets.

MARIE-CLAUDE ARBENZ, CURT ARBENZ Zurich.

An Incredible Risk

ANY woman who risks having unpro-tected sex with a man is taking the incredible risk of exposure to all of his partners. The first step in AIDS prevention is being aware of the risks; then the challenge is to change behavior. This means refraining from sex altogether, or demanding and maintaining a truly monogamous relationship, or negotiating for safer sex through the use of condoms. - Dr. Antonia C. Novello, surgeon

general of the United States, writing in the Los Angeles Times.

The growth of a political dimension of

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I think one should welcome the chal- then adding the powerful stimulus of the lenge contained in Brian Beedham's article "European Unity? Let's Be Clear About the Purpose" (Opinion, May 25). I disagree, however, with Mr. Beedham's the "why," nor suggest a plurality of But the "how" should not obscure the "why," nor suggest a plurality of purposes over time. Europe was never about business; it was always about politics. That is precisely the difference between the European Community and other customs unions, free trade areas, the Continent, especially by consolidating a permanent reconciliation between What kind of federation were Eu-

France and Germany, lies, it is true, at rope's founding fathers striving for? I the root of the European endeavor. But must confess that it seems very curious, from the start, the founding fathers of at times inexplicable, that some in Eu-European integration (Monnet, Ade-naner, De Gasperi) had a much more cept in a centralistic, etaitst light. The cept in a centralistic, etatist light. The concept of federation (and its regulatflict-prevention. They had in mind a ing principle, that of subsidiarity), is on federal Europe. The texts are there; they the contrary against all hypotheses of centralization. And that is not just theory: it is European practice. Europe is already functioning on three levels; autonomous regions and federal states (the German Länder, for instance), national states, and a supranational level,

the European Community. What the Maastricht treaty does is to tions (foundations of coal and steel) and lay down the foundations of an impor-

tant step forward from European Community to European Union; still not a tion, but a mixed structure in which federal elements operate side by side with "community" mechanisms and with the traditional instruments of intergovernmental cooperation. The basic merit of Maastricht is that of tracing a gradual, realistic path toward European Union. It is neither "ambitious" nor "quite unrealistic" as William Pfaff has written (in "Better This Step Back Than a Rush to Unite," Opinion, June 11).
Finally, Mr. Beedham's analysis

seems to me, and I think to most European readers, overly negative as far as the Atlantic-European connection is concerned. In particular, one cannot but take issue with the idea that while "for many Europeans a more united Europe is just a more efficient way to play its part in the joint foreign policy of the West," for "a lot of Europeans the purpose of Europe's being a power in the A Matter of Development world is ... to break away from America, to be a separate and indeed rival power." It would be more correct to begin the first assertion with "most" and the second with "extremely few."

If we focus our attention away from

certain risetorical flourishes and occa-

sional political posturing, we will see that the interdependence of North America and Europe is for Europeans a fact of life before being a fact of politics.

European integration is the premise of a new situation in which the Atlantic alliance will be more of a partnership of equals than it has been so far. But that is what the United States itself, with its European policy beginning in 1945, has contributed to bringing about. European Union will give rise to a strong, confident, mature, independent partner for America, And both America and Europe will benefit from it in security and all other fields.

RANIERO VANNI d'ARCHIRAFI, Political Director. Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Regarding "Why Is Black Africa Overwhelmed While East Asia Overcomes?" (July 14):

This comparative analysis of economic development in Africa and East Asia skirted, perhaps understandably, a per-

Serbs in Barcelona

The International Olympic Committee, the Spanish government and the

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Reforms Increase Economic Strength

dictators, runaway inflation and military coups, South America has quietly become the turf of stock-market gurus, privatized industriae and capitalist While other regions wait

idly for the global recession abate, South American countries have been forging ahead with structural economic changes that should give way to sounder and bigger economies once recession woes end.

The pace of the modern-Ization progrems hes picked up over the past two or three years, but the procress has been obscured, by recent political crises, riots and recession.

Investors in the region have been waiting patiently for kinks to be worked out In such programs as privatization of state-run companies, tax reform and tha opening up of free trade. But most foreign investors say they expect that patience to pay off handsome-

ly. "Latin American trada is going to be the major story of this decade," says Peter Scott, a Latin America investment consultant with London-based Beta Funds Ltd. "You will see e very substantial increase in economic activity in the region and an increase in trading in the near future.

Tha payoff has already begun in some sectors. South American stock markets, for exemple, have been among tha world's best performers last year and this year.

In 1991, Argantina's stock market gave investors total returns in dollar terms of 323 percent, Brazil's São Paulo Stock Exchange (Bovespa) was a close second at 291 percent, Colombia's stocks returned 141 percent, and Chile'e returned 87 per-

Some of those results especially in Argentina and Brazil - heve dropped lately, but traders and in-



vestment analysts expect the profits to return in tha medium to long term.

Brazil attracted \$570 mlllion in foreign stock investment last year after only opening up its stock markets to foreigners in June. Julius Buchenrode, investment director for Chase Manhattan Bank in Rio de Janeiro, savs he expects that amount to "easily top \$2 billion this year," meny investors, the amounts are still only "play money." but the returns are beginning to outweigh the

Brazil, whose 150 million people account for about one-third the population of all of Latin America, has been tha slowest to make economic progress, but because of its market potential it is also the most closely watched by the rest of tha

The recent announcement of a renegotiation agreement on the \$44 billion in debt that Brazil owes commercial banks could be the impetus that Brazil needs, and some economists say it marks the end of the decade of Latin American debt that Inhibited growth in the region.

After some initial problems, Brazil'e privatization program is picking up momentum. A dozen steel companies, petrochemical firms, fertilizer manufacturers and others have already been sold off, and the next sector to hit the auction block will be regional electric utilities. The end of the government's monopoly on oil production is also a strong possibility in the next year or so, and foreign companies are looking with hope to revised laws on patents and property rights that will allow them to expand sales of everything from computers to medi-

Government officials are also talking about privatizing parts of Brazil's telecommunications jewel, Telbras, if congress will approve it. In the meantime, the cellular phone market is booming due to the lack of phone lines and overwhelming demand.

Ona of the most striking economic recoveries has been thet of Argentina, which has gone from sky rocketing inflation of 2,414 percent annually in 1990 to

10 percent in the first six months of 1992 and is now about 0.7 percent per month. By pegging the austral to the dollar and cutting inflation. President Carlos Menem has been able to do in Argentina what the leaders of Brazil, Venezuela and other countries have not yet been able to accomplish: win the confidence of the people while at the same time getting them to

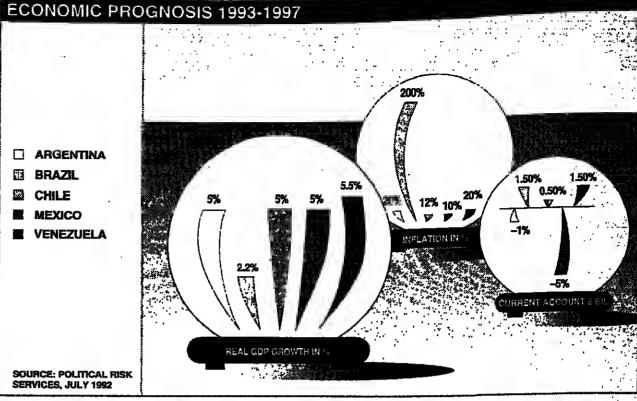
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Brazil's President Fernando Collor de Mello has been hampered by a political crisis that has lent instability to his government and slowed reforms, but most observers agree that even if he were to stop down or be impeached, the economic reforms under way would

Venezuele'e President

Carlos Andrés Pérez has been walking e tightrope between e disgruntted electorate and his economic reform plans since the Feb. 4 military coup attempt that almost toppled his government. He has since eased some of the eusterity measures, promised to spend \$4 billion in four years on anti-poverty programs and appears to have won back some stability. His situation has been boosted by the internetional rise in the price of oil, which helps Venezuela as the Western Hemisphere's largest oilexporting country. Early estimates of 1992 economic growth of 4 percent are now being adjusted up to 5 percent or 6 percent, still



well below last year's impressive 9 percent growth. Likewise, opinion polls show that Peru's President Alberto Fujimori has won the confidence of Peruvians after staging e "selfcoup" that used the military to dismantle the democratically elected legislature. It even appears he will win the confidence of the United States and other foreign powers once his economic reforms take hold, if he keeps to his promise of restoring democracy. Still, in a land wracked by cholera, drug wars and Maoist guerrillas, Peru's reforms will not coma quickly,

Chile, which was the first in the region to start its privatization program and had the advantage of an already stable economy, is moving along with annual growth of close to 10 percent, continued privatization and an improved investment outlook that is being helped by the political distancing of former military ruler General Augusto Pinochet.

The .smaller economies are also showing progress: foreign dollars are pouring into Colombia at an unprecedented pace, upcoming elections in Ecuador could lead to the modernization of its economy and Bolivia's President Jaime Paz Zamora is busy implementing free-market re-

The buzzword now in the region is "free trade," and all across the continent governments are busy cutting tariffs, eliminating bureaucracy and encouraging imports to compete with outdated and often overpriced domestic products. The four countries of the

forms

"Mercosur" - Brazil, Argentina. Uruguay and Paraguay - have agreed to create a tariff-free common market by Jan. 1, 1995, Other countries are doing the same and are taking seriously President George Bush's goal of creating a free-trada zone from Alaska to Argantina's southern point

As the free-trade zones come into being and as Lat-In American countries do more trading among themsetves, the result is e golden opportunity for any foraign companias with access to those markets.

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Rubens Pedrosa, marketing director for Bayer In São Paulo, says the treetrade agreements can only

help prospects for foreign companies. He says the Mercosur countries "are already worried about harmonizing their patent laws to provide protection in all Michael Molinaki



President Patricio Aylwin of Chile meets with EC: President Jacques Delors in Brussels on July 15.

Green Guidelines for Sustainable Growth

Bookending the United Nations Conference on Environment and De-velopment held last month in Rio de Janeiro, public- and private-sector organizations have been busily setting guidelines to harmonize trade and the environment

Environmental guidelines have particular relevance to Latin America. Nowhere has the disharmony between trade and the environment generated more attention than in the area's largest nation, Brazil, where the destruction of the Amazon forest goes hand in hand with a staggering foreign debt. But the Amazon environment alone extends to a number of countries outside Brazil, including Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, Suriname. French Guiana, Bollvia, Peru and Ecuador. Other Latin American nations have their own environmental concerns, so guidelines and policies regarding the environment have wideranging Implications throughout the

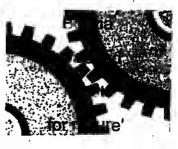
region.
The latest document to address the subject, released July 15, is the United Nations' World Investment Report 1992. In a chapter entitled "Transnational Corporations, Environmental Quality and Sustainable Growth," tha document discusses "sustainable development" as e concept that "modifies the conventional view of economic growth ee GDP growth to incorporate a new balance between economic growth and environmental quality. It also recognizes," the report continues, "that environmental quality and economic growth can be mutually reinforcing at all Income levels." It recommends the setting of national policies to "compensate for market failures and maximize the positive contributions that TNCs [Transnational Corporations] can make toward

sustainable growth." In March 1991, however, well before the release of the investment report, ministers and representatives of Latin American and Caribbean countries assembled in Mexico City drew up the "Tlatelolco Platform on Environment

and Development." A result of the Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Earth Summit, the document states as its purpose to "reaffirm the scope of the United States General Assembly resolution 44/228 on environment and development... the Brasilia Declaration and the Call to Action issued by the Seventh Ministerial Meeting on the Environment in Latin America and the Caribbean and request the countries

of the region, the developed countries and international organizations to give their unwavering support for the implementation of the Action Plan for the Environment In Latin America and the Caribbean." The platform offers recommendations concerning various aspects of the environment, including urban development and waste management.

At the Earth Summit itself, one chapter of the Agenda 21 document produced by the conference addresses the role of business and Industry.



Chapter 30 states that "business and Industry, including transnational corporations, should recognize environmental management as among the highest corporate priorities and as a key determinant to sustainable development." It recommends a series a activities for government, business and industry to promote cleaner production and responsible entrepre-

Private-sector organizations have also generated guidelines regarding business and the environment. The International Environmental Bureau of Lysaker, Norway (a division of the Paris-based International Chamber of Commerce) produced a "Business Charter for Sustainable Development," which lists as its first principle "to recognize environmental management as among the highest corporate priorities and as e key determinant to sustainable development; to establish policies, programs and practices for conducting operations in an environmentally sound manner." Over 900 companies worldwida, including

some 200 from Latin America and the Caribbean, endorsed the charter as of

The Geneva-based Business Council for Sustainable Development, founded by Stephan Schmidheiny, principal advisor to Earth Summit Secretary General Maurice Strong, published a 372-page report last May. Called "Changing Course: A Global Business Perspective on Development and the Environment," the document includes three chapters on the responsibility of business toward the environment. Forty-eight members from around the world (six from Latin: America) sit on the council. Though they serve in a personal capacity, they are also chief executive officers of major multinational corporations. Tha largest TNC environmental

deal so far took place in Latin America last month, between J.P. Morgan and . the Bolivian government. Working with the World Wildlife Fund and the Nature Conservancy, Morgan completed what the Lagniappe Letter, a New York-based blweekly report on issues affecting business in Latin America, called "the world's largest debt-for-nature swap." It involved \$11.5 million of its Bolivian debt, which will be converted at 24 percent. of nominal value, providing the conservation groups with some \$2.8 million to further their efforts to protect the environment in Bolivia. The Morgan deal was in response to a debt restructuring package offered by Bolivia to the banks that still hold its debt. The package includes the option of exchanging debt for environmental or other worthy projects at 16 percent of face value, to which a 50 percent premlum is added on satisfactory completion of the project. The other banks holding debt are Citibank, Morgan Guaranty Trust, Scotlabank and Bank of Montreal. With hundreds of TNCs operating

with billions of dollars in Latin America, actions such as Morgan's have potential for a positive effect on business and the environment throughout the region.

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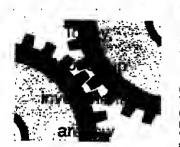
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New Era of Openness to Foreign Capital

of the 1970s and the turbu-1990s have heralded a new era in the way South Ameri-ca looks at foreign capital.

Potential investors used to tell Feran Ibanez, executive secretary of Chile's Foreign investment Committee, that his country was a nice house in a bad neighborhood. "Now they tell me we're the best-run store in an affluent neighborhood," he says. In just e few short years,



all of the continent's govemments have set their countries on the free-market path to economic development, with varying degrees of success. This includes welcoming foreign

investment. Chile was the pioneer. In 1976, Chile pulled out of the Andean Pact, in part be-

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cause of Decleion 24, which called for restrictive measures for foreign investors. Then Chile went the other way and established an investment mechanism that was very liberal for its time and remains the most

But its neighbors on the continent are catching up. In 1990, the member countries of the Andean Pact -Bollvia, Colombia, Ecuador. Peru and Venezuela once so defensive toward foreigners, agreed to libergimes so there is no discrimination between foreign and national Inves-

"In South America we've realized that we need for-eign investment," seye Venezuele'e superintendent of foreign investments. Anselmo Chuecos. People have come to realize that investment is good for the country."

Such is the drive to attract foreign capital that Venezuele'e petroleum sector, long off limits to private capital of any kind, is opening up. At the end of June, five drilling companies - including Benton Oil and Gas Company of California, Royal Dutch-/Shell and the Telkoku Oil

Company of Japan - were awarded contracts to revive the country's inactive oil

Touted as having the continent'e most liberal investment laws. Peru went beyond the Andean Pact's decision to welcome foreign capital. Peru opened all of the country's economic sectors to foreign investors and eliminated all bans on remittances. In a climate as turbulent as Peru's, the government knew it had to offer some assurances like judicial and tax stability for investments of more than \$2 million.

Rivaling Peru's openness are Argentina's investment reforms. President Carlos Menem's governments established e free-in free-out system of investment, in which foreigners need not register their investments, not even for statistical purposes. But thie kind of total liquidity attracts speculative capital, as can be seen by the booms on Peru's and Argentina'e stock markets in

Despite a 22 percent drop in the market index in June, Argentina is still enloying last year's boom, when it had the best perforstock markets, according to the Internetional Finance Corporation. Although exact figures are not available, the presence of foreign capital is about 7.5 percent, mostly from Spanish and U.S. investors. In Peru, the wave of for-

eign investment in the Lima bolsa began in September of last year, just after the new investment laws were passed, mostly from reglonal investment funds isted in Europe and the United States. Of the \$3 milflon being traded on the Lima stock exchange before Alberto Fujimori's April 5 "self-coup," an estimated two-thirds came from foreion capital. But in a nervous moment, much of the foreign money was pulled out, and the value of transactions dropped 30 percent in one month. Something similar happened in Venezuela after the coup attempt egainst Carloe Andrés Pérez's govern-

Given the fickle nature of portfolio Investments, South America's governments are trying to attract foreign cepital for longterm commitments. One mechanism used widely is debt-for-equity swap schemes which, says Chile's Mr. Ibanez, are basically fire sales at rock-bottom prices. "It's like buying a suit. You think 'i don't need it,' but it's so cheap you buy it anyway."

Chile used this method to



Up for sale in Caracas: the water system, 12 hotels and the racetrack.

ettrect foreign cepitel. "Many investors tested the waters with Chapter 19 [debt-swap schemes], and then they kept bringing capital through direct investment," says Mr. Ibanez. The figures prove it. After four years during which debt-for-equity investments surpassed direct inflows of foreign capital, in 1990, direct investment overtook Chapter 19 investment. Today, there are few debtswap investments.

Debt-swap progrems have also been successful In Brazil and Argentina and, to e lesser degree, in Venezuela and Colombia.

The mein Investor in South America is still the United States, although European and Japanese investors are increasingly In-Jepenese investors, by far the most cautious in e historically unpredictable environment like South America's, are looking once again at Brazil

after e decade of poor relations. The appetites of large U.S. and European firms have also been whetted by the elimination of restrictions in Brazil'e personal computing industry.

But all the investment attraction schemes and the reduction of restrictions to a minimum mean little if they are not accompanied by economic and political stability. Venezuela is well aware of this. While investment is up this year com-

pared with the first half of 1991, Mr. Chuecos recognizes thet investors are waiting to see what happens on the sociopolitical front before taking any major steps. "Investors are willing to come, as long as there is stability,"he says. "We have to regain the investors' confidence."

As Chile's Mr. Ibanez "You can't invent e track record overnight."

Sibylia Brodzinsky

Privatization / Encouraging Competition

State-Owned Enterprises Fall Under Auction Hammer

The silence of Latin America's "quiet revolution" of growing political being shattered by the continuous pounding of the auctioneer's hammer as one state-owned company after another goes on the block.

So contagious has privatization fever become in many Latin American countries that the Issue is not one of whether to sell off state-owned companies, but rather when, how and at what price. This move to privatize

has gone hand in hand with the turn toward democracy countries from Central America to Brazil and Argentina, where democracy has led to accountability and close scrutiny of public enterprises.

Last year, privatizations in Latin Americe raised more capital than those in the former East Germany and the rest of Eastern Europe combined. This in turn contributed to economic growth rates in the region averaging 3 percent, as for the first time in over a decade the flow of capital to the region was greater than the flow of debt payments

out.
"This is e reflection of how inviting the rest of the world sees investment in these countries," says Vivek Taivadker, e senior economist with the World Bank'e private-sector affiliate, the International Finance Corporation. "It is very important that investors are bringing in new technology, which, in the long term, will lead to greater efficiency in the region."

government payrolls. Privatization is viewed by

some in Latin America as e 'multipurpose silver bullet." It saves money on subskiles and losses, making money on each sale, which can then be used to help ease the foreign debt burden. It also brings support end investment from abroad because of the



commitment shown to freemarket policies

In truth, despite the similarities, privatizations are taking place in each case for different reasons and under greatly varying circumstances.

In Mexico, for instance, which is already nearing the end of a privatization program setting off atmost 200 companies - from Mexicana and Aeroméxico elrlines to suger mille, mines and hotels - the government has decided against foreign majority ownership in areas where multinationels would be most interested. These include e string of banks and the highly profitable Telé-fonos de México.

Meanwhile, in Chile, Venezuela, Argentina and Colombia, several key purchesee of state-owned enterpriees heve been

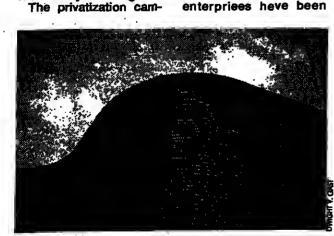
most ambitious. Plans have been made to sell nearly all state companies by 1993, raising at least \$6 billion. Argentina learned e hard lesson early on in its privatization program with the chaotic sale of its national airline and telephone network in 1990 at knockdown prices. Although the sales raised more than \$2 billion for the national treasury and erased more than \$7 billion in foreign debt, the result for the companies sold is reported to heve been high prices, poor service and arrogant

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But with one in five Argentinians employed in state-owned enterprises, President Carlos Menem is determined to cut the public sector payroll by onethird, shedding 200,000

The privatization process hee not elways gone smoothly, however, in Brazil, for Instance, workers cosseted by state-owned company menegement have demonstrated violently to protest the sale of the country's glant steelmaker, Usinas Siderurgicas de Minas. Still, the sale went ahead last October, raising \$1.7 billion. The Brazillan government has pledged to continue with its privatization program. But it was again stalled earlier this year by protests against the sale of the governmentowned jet engine mainte-

nance company, Celma. Privatization is not without its critics, either. Some argue that while privatization provides high profits for new owners and substantial nest eggs for state



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paign is explained by someeconomists as part of the ideological battle of the century. "People now think competition is more impor-tant than state ownership to make sure companies improve the quality and price of what they supply," com-ments Domingo Cavallo, Argentina's economics minister, whose country is still saddled with heavy debt from Perónist policies of widespread state con-

Others argue that the drive to sell off state enterprises is driven more by pragmatism than ideology and the need to cut heavy business losses in ineffimade by foreign compa-nies. Two out of three Coiombian banks up for sale, for example, have been sold to Venezuelan bid-

Venezuele's airline VIASA has been sold to a group of Investors headed by the Spanish airline lberia. The country's tele-phone company CANTV was sold to e group headed by AT&T, Spain's Telefonica, GTE and local investors for \$1.9 billion. The Venezuelan government is now considering the sale of the Caracas Water System, a power-generating plant, 12 hotels and the Caracas

coffers, the benefits are short-term end one-off. Customers in many cases have still to see the bene-

Recently privatized telephone companies Illustrate some of the problems. Despite the highly profitable sale of Teléfonos de México, for example, phones in the capital still frequently cut out during rainstorms and some stay dead for weeks. According to one report, pay phones at Mexico City's airport have, on occasion, offered the caller a clear line to control tower conversations with a Delta Air Lines pilot.

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The Illegitimate Son of Inspector Clouseau

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

ICE — In the foothills of Provence, smoke cards through nocturnal pines. A van packed th high explosives begins a termi-l roll over a cliff. There are kidppers, cables, lights, cameras, ce bombs and real urns of tea and ffee. Obviously, a film crew is at

The movie, "Son of Pink Paner" to be released next year, is ake Edwards's 50th and the hth in the "Pink Panther" series. e comic detective tales made fams by Peter Sellers as the manic-

sessive Inspector Clouseau. The novelty (and possibly the mble) in connection with this one that, for those Americans who do et watch Jim Jarmusch movies, its ır is unknown — a wispy Italian mic with thick black spectacles d a halo-shock of thinning hair. In Jarmusch's current "Night on irth," Benigni plays a Rome taxi iver who confesses his sex life to s passenger, a reductant priest; meent Canby, writing in The New ork Times, described the actor as

In Italy, Roberto Benigni is alady a national antihero — a status thanced by the recent success of lohnny Steechino," an Italian ovie that he wrote, directed and arred in and that has out-grossed l of this year's imported blockbusts, including "Robin Hood: Prince "Hook" and "JFK" "Johnny Steechino" is the story of bus driver mistaken for a Mafia boss. Benigni plays both. Counting all receipts right down to the proceeds from every small movie house in Italy, the film, said the actor, has earned something like \$33 million
— a record for an Italian movie.

That financial breakthrough for Benigni, 39, came after a career that began during his childhood. In theater, movies and television, he has achieved notoriety for tilting against the pope, politicians and moral convention

Benigni caused a stir earlier this year, for instance, when he leaped upon a talk-show hostess who had lipped in front of the cameras on live television while he was reciting a list of 112 female nouns and 87 male nouns found in the Italian language to describe the sex organs — a litany he likens to a child saying rude words to mom and pop. "Benigni has always been clever, assute," said Callisto Coulish as Italian film Callisto Cosulich, an Italian film critic. "He has used scandalous behavior to his advantage. He has tried

Like many Italians, Cosulich regards Benigni as part of a comic tradition. "Benigni is funny be-cause of his comic strength," he said. "He is also the only Italian actor who can be considered the heir to Toto, that is, an actor who can fill the stage without the need

of a director or an intermediary. "Johnny Stecchino" was one of the films that brought Benigni to Edwards's attention, making the actor among the first Italians since the '60s to jump the Atlantic into mainstream American cinema. And if the leap succeeds, it will not be because he has the looks or



Robert Benigni during filming of "Son of Pink Panther."

glamour of a Marcello Mastroianni but simply because he is funny.

"People expect me to be funny - always," Benigni said, sitting at his seafront hotel before the night's shooting in the hills. Sometimes, he said, he envies "normal actors" who can get away with a handshake and maintain distance. His fans feel they can blow raspberries and "kick me in the backside."

"It's a buge demonstration of love," be added. Not, be hastened to say, that he is the kind of comic who laughs in public and weeps in private. "I'm not the classic figure the clown who's crying."

Something compels him not to sit still but to wave his hands and

jump about and to raise his voice and make plays on words that shock people and make them laugh. "I must be funny," he said.

Benigni uses colorful terms to describe the path that has led from a poverty-strained childhood in rural Tuscany to the star's Winnebago in the hills above Nice. He was born in the village of Arezzo, in Tuscany, and grew up in "a house with only one room."

"My family is wonderful," he said. "It is composed of a lot of women. Three sisters, older than me; and a mother, older than me, too. And my father was always looking for some job. So I was diplomatically, is the greatest honalone sleeping in the same bed with or that can happen to a man."

four women." Pause, Punchine: "And I never repeated this in my

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Since 1976, Benigni has played in, written or directed 13 movies sometimes performing all three functions. But he ventured into American movies only in 1986, when he and his wife-to-be portrayed Italians in America in Jarmusch's "Down by Law."

In that movie, Benigni started to come to grips with the English lan-grage, playing the part of a jailbird on the lam with two American convicts. He constantly had to refer to a notebook to come up with English phrases. These days, there's no note-book, and he is the first to acknowledge that his English has gaps, in March, when he was flying to Los Angeles to discuss the "Pink Panther" script with Edwards, he said, he had to ask the Italian pilots to help him translate the screenplay.

None of that really matters in his current movie, though language does. Benigni plays the French policeman Jacques Gambrelli, whose identity as the illegitimate son of Peter Sellers's Inspector Clouseau is initially intimated only by his mis-pronunciation of English. Law becomes "lerr," bump becomes "bermp" and bomb becomes

The use of Sellers's mock-Gallicisms is one way the movie banks back to its predecessors. The oftasked question is whether Benigni feels fazed by the Sellers legacy. To be the son of Clouseau," he answers

Rupert Murdoch, the Hollywood Mogul

By Bernard Weinraub New York Times Service

OS ANGELES - Rupert Murdoch slouches on the sofa of his surprisingly spare office at the Fox Studios near Century City, saying with a faint smile that his vovage into the movie business still leaves him just a bit uneasy.

"This is a very creative, ambitious community," said the 61-year-old media mo-gul. "Everybody's got their own agenda, their own schemes, their own projects, You've got to pass on 90 percent of them. Making films involves saying 'no' a great part of the day. What worries me are the commercial judgments in Hollywood. Not here, in this studio, but among some of our competitors."

It has been more than five months since Barry Diller stepped down as chairman of Fox Inc., whose parent company, News Corp., a media conglomerate spread across four continents, is owned by Murdoch. The

or buy his own network, led Murdoch to take over direct control of Fox Inc. and to unge into the movie and, especially, the

Seated beneath an Australian Impressionist painting, Murdoch was by turns reticent and enthusiastic about his involvement with Hollywood, the anxieties of the

Murdoch was, for a while, the owner of both New York magazine and The New York Post, among other publications. "I loved New York, but then I was running a newspaper," he said. "For all its inadequacies, and the things we didn't do, the resources we didn't have, we still had a real influence on that city. To be involved, hands-on, in the issues of the streets and the city every day - it was a lot of fun. Absolutely! And it was a heartbreaker.
Mission impossible. Afterward I was lost and kind of depressed."

Murdoch, one of the most powerful, if private and detached, millionaires in Holly-wood, has been a U.S. citizen since 1985 and a resident of Los Angeles for more than a year. He and his wife, Anna, a novelist, have four children. The move to Los Angeles, largely the result of his purchase in 1985 of 20th Century Fox, has proved exhilarating for Murdoch.

"Living here reminds me a lot of living in Australia. The weather. The openness of the society. I don't mean Hollywood, but Los Angeles. This is the modern melting pot. There's not much history here, and that leads to good things and bad things. I mean, there are no rules here. That makes it very open on the one hand. On the other hand there's perhaps less taste about it."

URDOCH said the waste of money in moviemaking startled him a bit, "Every day we're shocked at the risks involved, by the excesses of money, by what you pay people, by what what you waste," he said. "But anything that's creative, I suppose, has got to have some waste. You produce a great newspaper, you leave a lot of stories on the spike, too." It is television, especially television

ing much of Murdoch's attention. "We want to get away from the old-style news, which is driven by pontificating, highpriced anchors, to news that covers all the important events but has a real pace. It's got to tell a story. A face reading a tele-prompter doesn't really help news. You've got to tell it in pictures, voices, reporters, good writing. People the next day will remember a big story told brilliantly in 30 seconds more than a big story told a mediocre way in three minute

Murdoch rejects criticism of the Fox network's so-called "reality" shows — re-en-actments of real-life events — which have been assailed as exploitative. "Look, is there anything more exploitative than the most successful show on the air, Oprah Winfrey Donalme, too. He copies her. She copies him. I don't know. They get these unfortu-nate people — it's like a freak show every day. Intrusive? Yes. Entertaining? Yes. It's gotten to the stage where whatever station has Oprah in the afternoon is the dominant

Edgar Allan Poe's Winding Path to Dortmund

By James Helme Sutcliffe

oy - Despite a year and a half of mishaps, a barrowiogly bonest roducion of Dominick Argento's The Voyage of Edgar Allan Poe" inally made it to the stage of the Dortmund Opera, and received a ousing reception with 21 curtain

lan Poe" was bailed at that time by prehensible revue.

American critics. That imbalance

Its reputation cast such a long shadow that the Chicago Lyric's general manager, Ardis Krainik, chose "Poe" to inaugurate her ambitious "Toward the 21st century" program, a showcase of 20th-century masterpieces.

But that October 1990 staging cut almost 40 minutes of the opera

Composed for the U.S. Bicentennial, "The Voyage of Edgar Altrining it into a colorfully incom-

dressed in Dortmund, on the final day of the 1991-92 season, with a gripping productioo, directed down to the last tortured detail by the Austrian Heinz Lukas-Kindermann and conducted with instinctive flair for its introspective style by the gifted young Frenchman Laurent Wagner.

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illnesses, the departures of singers inspiration, something that not

Charles Nolte's libretto for Ar- detective Dupin - can counter. gento's "Poe" used the still unexplained last week of the poet's life (he was found dying in a Baltimore gutter after having last been seen in Richmood, Virginia) for a voyage into his psyche. His nemesis, Griswold, con-

fronts Poe with events from his

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Barbican Pit certainly goes the scholastic route: Her company has been on field trips to Ukraine and returned looking like displaced movie extras who had even the defense — Poe's fictional

HIS shattering musical climax of "Voyage of Edgar Allan Poc" was listened to in awed silence by the first-night Dortmund audience, which then rose to its feet for 21 curtain calls when the final fa-Most of the applause went to the

superb American tenor Julius Best who, looking exactly like Poe, went from strength to strength in the title role, ably "tortured" by Ulrich Studer in the nasty role of Gris-The excellent Michael McCall

sang the Richmond Doctor, the last person to see Poe alive. Melanie Kreuter was enchanting as Poe's sweet-voiced child bride, Virginia, whose early death almost drove the poet to suicide,

"The Voyage of Edgar Allan Poe" re-enters the Dortmund repertoire Oct. 29 in conjunction with an exhibition on Argento's operatic work in the presence of the com-poser, who will celebrate his 65th birthday two days earlier.

James Helme Sutcliffe is a Berlinbased critic and musician.

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Dybbuk" gave us "The Exorcist," not that its account of a rich country girl possessed by the spirit and even voice of her dead lover has given Stephen King and the makers of several hundred airport-bookstall paperback shockers something to think about. But no such irreverent allusions are allowed to invade the Mitchell production. Instead, across three endless hours in the claustrophobic Pit, we are treated

to a folklore festival dominated by John Shrapnel as the ancient exorcist come to sort out a little local village difficulty. As for actual plot, it is minimal. We are never told why the student in love with Leye should suddenly have died, except that he was mixed up in a bttle black magic. Nor are we told precisely the moment at which he has returned in Dybbuk form to invade Leye's body, thereby making her marriage to a wealthy local landowner somewhat difficult.

By Sheridan Morley

the Habimah in Moscow, through to 1965 when that

company brought it to London for a World Theatre

Season, it has been a fixture of world drama but one

that nobody has ever managed to get across to a

Katie Mitchell's new production for the RSC in the

suddenly been told to remake "Fiddler on the Roof"

without any of the songs. There's no doubt that "The

contemporary audience with total success.

ONDON —Certain plays are better taught than produced, and Solomon Anski's 1914 Yiddish classic "The Dybbuk" is one of

them. From 1922, when it was first staged by

N her desperate desire to offer us a documentary of village life in Ukraine circa 1914, doubtless authentic to the last patch of mud on the Pit floor, Mitchell is intent on having us under-stand that this is not just another Gothic shocker about a teenage bride with a devil inside her. Clearly a social order is being overturned here,

families and estates and fortunes are at stake, but the trouble is that none of the players, not Joanne Pearce as the bride nor Susan Engel as the mother-figure, nor even Shrapnel himself manage to arouse any real interest in their characters as anything other than waxwork figures in some museum of Ukrainian

Solomon Anski was not essentially a dramatist, he

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was a polemical historian, and his play has no real shape or energy. It is the dramatization of an episode. in village life, yet another tale for the elders to bore, their juniors with around the rabbinical campfire, and nothing in this RSC production is able to alter that

There is so much local color around that the drama itself disappears into it, leaving us to reflect that a much less reverent and more radical adaptation of anunwickly text might inonically have got us closer to the truth of the Dybbuk and what it really meant to be a

Gerald Harper, standing, and William Grant in "Murder by Misadventure."

Exorcism and Murder

Society hungry for ghost stories.

A little folklore goes a very long way if you neither. understand the law nor care for the folk, and posses-1... sion is nine-tenths of a very boring evening.

T the Vandeville, Murder by Missaven ture" is a perfectly adequate little four a character thriller which has been on the A road for several months and now incurred the wrath of most of my colleagues by during to arrive in a moribund West End. True, it is not "Slouth" or "Deathtrap," but on the

other hand, it's a lot better than "The Mousetrap" of The Woman in Black," which happen to be the only other two thrillers in town and have been for several years. Why then should the thriller, here as on Broad way, have fallen into such critical decline?

Firstly perhaps because they are almost impossible: to write about without giving the game away. "Murder: 25 by Misadventure" is about two crime writers who. having reached the end of their partnership, spend the evening trying to kill each other. One is the infinitely snave Gerald Harper, the other is the rougher and bluffer William Gaunt. There is also a wife (Anglea Down) and a possible police inspector (Greg Hicks) who does a devastating impression of Paul Scofield.

Beyond that, little can be revealed. But ever sin "Sleuth," which even invented characters for its prof gram notes, we have been taught that nothing in a stage thriller can ever be quite what it seems, and as a result our disbelief is not just suspended but hanged. drawn and quartered for evermore. Yet on its own terms, "Murder by Misadventure" works perfectly well. The terms are those of a paperback thriller that keeps you turning its pages and then proves entirely forgettably once you have turned the last one.

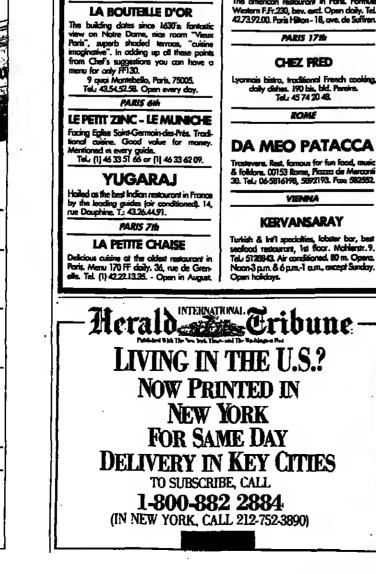
Yet, as "The Mousetrap" proves decade after decade, there is a real hunger for thrillers in the West End, one which is so seldom now met that Edward Taylor may. have considerable more success with this new one than the initial response would suggest. In hard times, new thrillers and old musicals tend to thrive.

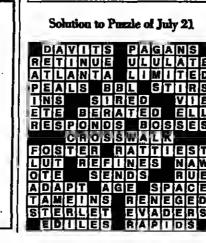
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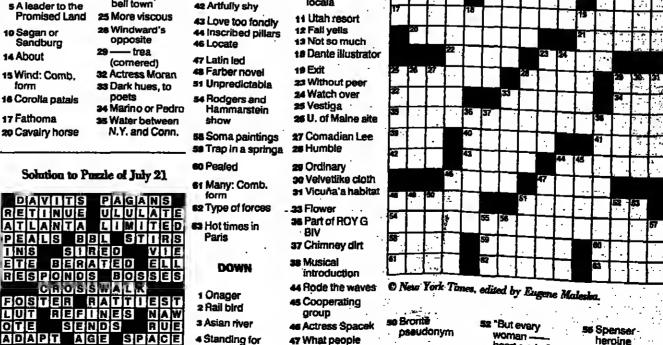
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NBC Claims It Passed Olympics Cable Hurdle

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By Bill Carter

New York Times Service OS ANGELES - After months of silence about how many people have been signing up for NBCs pay-perview coverage of the Summer Olympics, executives in charge of the venture say recent figures indicate the project has an improved chance of success, defying two years of doubts and ridicule.

from Dolan, the executive in charge of the Olympics Triplecast, a joint venture between NBC and Cablevision Systems Inc., said that as of the beginning of last week, 50,000 to 60,000 American subscribers had agreed to pay up to \$125 each for the three-chamel cable coverage of the Olympic Games in Barcelona. The Triplecast is to begin Sunday

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and run for 15 days. That figure is nowhere near the goal set for Triplecast: 2 million subscribers. But Mr. Dolan said the new figures did conform to the pattern of lastminute buying that characterized previous successful pay-

A flop by the Triplecast would be costly for NBC, a subsidiary of General Electric Co. The network put up \$401 million in rights fees for the Olympic Games in Barcelona, based on the expectation of offsetting about \$100 million of that by building a revenue stream from the pay-per-view coverage. If NBC and Cablevision were to get 3 million subscribers, which Mr. Dolan said was possible, they would stand to clear as much as \$225 million.

Mr. Dolan said that as late as the Fourth of July weekend, the number of subscribers was still well below 10,000. The new figures are evidence, he contended, of a surge in support for the Triplecast, precisely the kind of surge that NBC and Cablevision have been saying would save the project from financial disaster.

"For people to say anything about how this event was going to do two months ago was absurd," Mr. Dolan said. "We are way ahead of the curve on where we should be based on what's happened in the past. Based on previous events, the end number now should be 3.3 million. I'm not going to tell you I'm going to get the 3.3 million subscribers, but I am now very optimistic that we're going to have a successful event here."

Some cable executives said the project was in a sense already a

success because it is likely to improve the prospects for future pay-per-view events on cable. But they cautioned that Mr. Dolan, the chief salesman for the event, had a reason to be unrealistically

Larry Gerbrandt, senior vice president of Paul Kagan Associates, which analyzes the cable industry, said the recent numbers pointed to a total of about 1.2 million homes signing up for the full Triplecast.

Tom Adams, an analyst at Ragan, said past events have indeed shown that up to 90 percent of those who bought a pay-per-view sports event signed up on the last day.

But Seth Abraham, president of Time Warner Sports, which runs the TVKO pay-per-view business, said: "No one has ever done this with an Olympics before. It's flying blind."

Mr. Adams added that the early buying on this event might be different from patterns established for other sports. "You might be getting all the people with money who are organized enough to sign up early," he said, while the less well-off consumer might not have the money to buy later.

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Perot's **Ideas** for **Economy**

Bold Plan Calls For Higher Taxes

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Ross Per-

ot's plan for restoring the nation's economic health, nearly complete when he withdrew from the presidential race last week, included a far-reaching program of invest-ment in education, transportation and communications, as well as higher income taxes for the well-todo, increased gasoline taxes and a slowdown in increases in Social Security benefits.

The center of Mr. Perot's blueprint, aides said, was balancing the budget in five years, with cuts in spending as well as new taxes to reduce the deficit by \$700 billion to \$800 billion in that time.

Many members of Mr. Perot's organization are still pressing for the economic plan to be made public in the next two weeks in the hope that its ideas can influence the presidential race, even if their candidate is no longer in it.

The plan, about 50 pages long, included many steps long regarded by economic specialists as necessary and by political specialists as untenable, from slowing increases in Social Security benefits to increasing the gasoline tax by a total of 50 cents a gallon over five years.

"Plenty of people not running for office have made these kinds of proposals time and time again," said Isabel Sawhill, an economist at the Urban Institute, a nonpartisan research organization. The problem has been that no one seeking higher office has done so."

Members of Mr. Perot's defunct campaign said that fear of public hostility to the plan was one reason the Texas billionaire withdrew.

The main architect of the plan was John P. White, a budget offi-cial under President Jimmy Carter. Mr. Perot said through his secre-

tary that he had "not yet signed off on the plan." But aides said they were confident he ultimately would and make it public. Campaign aides say the plan also

calls for limiting deductions on See PLAN, Page 12

Free-Trade Pact Under Looking Glass By Keith Bradsher Trading With the Neighbors

New York Times Service
MARTINSBURG, West Virginia — The West Virginia glass industry has become a kind of prism through which North America's steady march toward a sweeping new free-trade agreement can be

The new pact with Mexico and Canada, which the three governments seem likely to reach within weeks, will clearly have widespread economic ramifications.

It will add jobs, wealth and eco-nomic activity throughout the con-tinent, economists say, but at the same will bring hardship to a mi-nority of individuals.

The treaty will, among other things, provide businesses in the United States, Canada and Mexico with a market of 370 million consumers - greater than the European Community - with each country gaining millions of new customers. And consumers of all three com-tries will be able to buy a vastly increased variety of goods, at re-

duced prices. Nowhere are forces of change that have brought the three countries together or the ramifications more evident than in the glass industry of West Virginia.

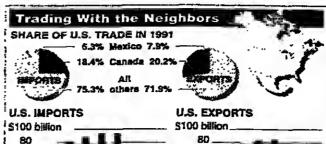
The 660 workers of the automaied Corning Inc. factory in Martinsburg, for example, can expect greater job security than they have now, and new jobs may be added.

Their employer, like scores of other big U.S. corporations that are nearly complete, and top trade have become much more international in operation during the past decade, has formed an alliance with a foreign competitor — in Corning's case, Vitro SA, the giant glass company in Mexico. Corning is expected to gain substantially from rising sales as Mexico cuts its

But about 2,000 workers in small handmade-glass factories 160 miles to the west, on the other side of the Appalachians, face possible financial ruin. Even with tariffs that currently add up to 38 cents to the cost of each dollar's worth of imported glass, half the local industry has already gone bankrupt in the last decade, partly because of Mexican

"If that duty is released, it's just going to kill us," said Michael Hall, president and part owner of Mid Atlantic of West Virginia Inc., which makes high-quality glass flower vases and drinking glasses in two kilns set up in a warehouse in rural Ellenboro. Observers said the changes

would reverberate throughout the



region. For example, U.S. exports to Mexico have accounted for nearly a tenth of all economic growth in he country since President George Bush took office, and they likely will increase even faster. intense negotiations to complete

the treaty have been held in secret and all negotiated texts have been classified. Nevertheless it is known that broad agreements have been

reached on issues involving many important industries, including banking, advertising, securities, in surance and trucking.

Deals in some other areas, such as the auto industry and farming,

out as many remaining details as

Anchor Hocking Glass Co, and Indiana Glass Co. - are still working fiercely to maintain high tariffs, particularly on tumblers and stemware, their ranks are now split by the defection of Corning the largest glassmaker in the country. Once a powerful and influential opponent of reducing import duties on glass, Coming now aggressively ad-

vocates the free-trade agreement. Another of the biggest and oldest supporters of glass tariffs, Anchor Glass Container Corp., of Keyser, West Virginia, was purchased by

Vitro several years ago.

Lobbying by companies such as

Corning and Anchor in the glass business, and their counterparts in officials from all three countries will meet July 25 in Mexico to iron many industries, has raised the chances of the pact's signing and eventual passage by Congress. By contrast, resistance to the

Smith Corona Votes Mexico

CORTLAND, New York - Smith Corona Corp., the last U.S.

typewriter maker, announced Tuesday it will move its manufacturing operations to Mexico within a year, eliminating 775 full-time jobs.

G. Lee Thompson, chairman and chief executive officer, said Smith

Corona will leave its engineering, product design, customer service and

those in the United States and a proposed free-trade pact offers the

"Unfortunately, it is absolutely necessary in view of the predatory

pricing by foreign competition in our industry," Mr. Thompson said.

He blamed alleged dumping in the U.S. market by Far Eastern manufacturers and specifically cited Brother Industries of Japan.

prospect of unhindered access to the U.S. market.

ia's many small, handmade-glass companies and their employees has been virtually nonexistent or ineffective.

The employees' national union, the American Flint Glass Workers, has not been visible since organization ing a large letter-writing campaign a year ago against the opening of

negotiations with Mexico.

The union, which has never called a strike at Corning, now is also divided and has been especially quiet about the planned agree-

And the small producers are leaderiess. Their trade group, de-pendent on foreign suppliers of glassmaking equipment for much of its annual dues, has been para-

When Senator John D. Rockefelducers - Libbey Glass Inc., the ler 4th, Democrat of West Virginia, asked 16 small companies for their views, he received only three short "When you're salesman, presi-

dent and janitor, it's hard to have the time to lobby," said Kenneth B. Dalzell, who heads the 60-employ-ee Dalzell Corp. in New Martinsville. He did not reply to the sena-

Economists said the free-trade treaty would benefit customers, retailers and manufacturers while creating jobs.

"We're talking about, on net, 100,000 jobs in the U.S., broadly scattered, and increased efficiency," said Gary C. Hufbauer, an economist at the Institute of International Economics, a nonpartisan research group in Washington.

Imports have captured two-lifths of the U.S. consumer glass market. Richard Dulude, a vice chairman of Corning who heads the joint venture with Vitro, said the Mexican products would replace imports from Europe and Southeast Asia instead of competing with small West Virginia companies. Vitro currently controls only 4

percent of the overall United States glass market, but has larger market shares for some types of glass pro-duced by small West Virginia fac-

administrative support divisions in Cortland, with 370 jobs.
Smith Corona joins a growing list of U.S. companies that have moved manufacturing to Mexico, where labor costs are a fraction of Although tariffs for most prod-ucts will be eliminated immediately or over 5 or 10 years under the trade agreement, tariffs on most consumer glassware are almost certain to be placed in the longest phase-out category of 12 to 20 Smith Corona also reported that earnings rose 61 percent in its fourth quarter ended June 30, to \$6 million. Sales rose 11.7 percent, to \$86.2 million. (AP, UPI) years to help the small glass makers adjust. Even under the longest schedule, tariffs will have fallen significantly by the end of the decade.

Profit Up At Thrifty Citicorp

Other U.S. Banks Also Post Gains

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Citicorp had a buge increase in second-quarter earnings on a sharp cut in expenses and a rise in revenues, the biggest

U.S. bank said on Tuesday.
The improvement at Citicorp. which has been restructuring to lower costs, came as other major banks across the country scored strong gains in the second quarter. Many banks have experienced improved profit margins because of sharp falls in U.S. interest rates in recent weeks. Wells Fargo & Co. reported 2

fivefold increase in second-quarter earnings after setting aside a smaller provision for sour loans. Chemical Banking Corp. Mellon Bank Corp. and Banc One Corp. posted strong gains as well. New York-based Citicorp said it

earned \$171 million, or 32 cents per share in the April-June quarter. In the same period a year ago, Citicorp earned S11 million but had no pershare income after after paying preferred dividends. Revenue rose 4.6 percent to \$3.86 billion.

Wells Fargo earned \$82 million for the quarter ended June 30, com-pared with \$14 million for the second quarter of last year, a 485 per-cent increase. The California bank added \$300 million to its reserves against bad loans during the quarter, compared with \$350 million during the same period of last year. Chemical said second-quarter net

income rose 30 percent from cost savings in its merger with Manufac-turers Hanover Trust Co. Net income increased to \$240 million from \$184 million in the year-earlier period. Per share results were unchanged at 83 cents because more

shares were constanding.

Mellon Bank Corp., said profits rose 29 percent and a broader spread between borrowing and lending costs belped earnings. Mellon's net income totaled \$90 million, or \$1.41 per share, in the second

Banc One Corp.'s second-quarter net income rose 30 percent, to \$181.3 million from \$139.2 million a year earlier. Net income per share for the quarter rose to 87 cents from (AP, Bloomberg)

Japanese Media Chief || Fired by Own Board

By James Sterngold
New York Times Service

TOKYO — In a remarkable boardroom confromation that rocked Japan's largest media conglomerate, Hiroaki Shikanai was summarily dismissed Tuesday as chainman of one of Japan's top newspapers, with the company's president publicly characterizing him as incompetent.

Although there was no clear statement of the reasons for this bitter palace revolt, company executives confirmed reports it was related to a scandal involving millions of dollars in retirement benefits Mr. Shikanai was said to have forced the conglomerate to pay the family of his predecessor, his father-in-law.

of his predecessor, his father-in-law.

Perhaps the most shocking aspect of the affair is the fact that, in a land where companies normally go to extraordinary lengths to keep even the smallest disputes out of the public eye, many details of the battle were suddenly being aired before the national media.

Shigeyaki Hazama, Sankei Shimbun's president, announced the decision to dispatch Mr. Shikanai with language that was unmistakably contemptuous. "The head of a newspaper company has certain special social responsibilities," Mr. Hazama said. "Mr. Shikanai lacks the qualifications to represent such a company."

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Mr. Shikanai, 46, lost his job after a 16-to-3 vote by the directors of the Sankei Shimbun, Japan's fourth-largest newspaper and one leg of the massive Fujisankei Communications Group. The conglomerate is known for its conservative political stances and was criticized three years ago when it paid former President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, approximately \$2 million for a promotional visit to Japan.

Mr. Shikanai remains chairman of the conglomerate, as well as its

other main components, Fuji Television and Nippon Broadcasting, the nation's largest television and radio networks. But each of those companies is reported to be planning board meetings in the next several days, leading to speculation he will be ousted from all his posts.

Nonetheless, Mr. Sulkanai struck a defiant note and suggested thought people of the planning of the process of the planning of the planning of the page of the planning of the pl through people close to him that he planned a fight.

OECD Sees Little Hope Of Lower Joblessness

By Tom Redburn

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mal Herald Tribune PARIS - The number of unconployed people in the major indus-trial nations is expected to rise this reached historically high levels and, year by 2 million, to almost 30 after some improvement at the end million, the Organization for Eco- of the 1980s, is rising again and will nomic Cooperation and Develop-ment said in a report for release on Wednesday. continue to grow in the aftermath of the recession. There has been little improvement in the situation

And despite the OECD's expec-tation that economic growth will

Pacific OECD members are far from forming a cohesive econom-ic unit. Page 17.

advance modestly this year and more strongly in 1993, there is not likely to he any significant im-provement next year in the number of people out of work.

The forecast, presented in the OECD's annual employment re-port on its 24 member nations, makes for bleak reading. Since 1990, when OECD mem-

ployment hit a low of 6.2 percent and 24.4 million people, jobless-ness has risen steadily and is now expected to hit an average of 7.5 percent and 29.9 million this year. In many member countries.

eight years of sustained expansion failed to lower the unemployment rate significantly," the report conof the most vulnerable groups in the labor market."

The survey also provides support for the widely observed phenome-non that the economic slump of the early 1990s has hit white-collar employees harder than in past recessions. But it notes that production and construction workers still are bearing the brunt of the downturn. The multinational research agen-

cy pins the blame for persistent joblessness mostly on structural obstacles that encourage the unemployed to remain on public assistance, block people from finding jobs and discourage companies from adding workers. European nations were the OECD's chief tar-

The beart of the problem identified by the OECD, economists contend, is that most governments are See JOBS, Page 15

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Market Sales

bounded Tuesday from a two-session slump, led by a rally in beverage and computer system shares. Analysts noted, however, that trading was light, and they ex-

N.Y. Stocks

pressed doubts that the advance could persist. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 28.64 points on Mon-

day, rose 5.41 points, to 3.308.41. Declioes and advances were nearly even on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume was light, at 173.8 million shares, up slightly from 165.7 million on Monday.

"Trading is too light to be too optimistic about the near-term outlook for stocks," said Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy Bt Marion Bass Securities. "I think the stock market will fall адаіл ютютом.

Stocks face concerns about the economic recovery, the rising popu-larity of the Democratic presidential candidate, Bill Clinton, and lowerthan-expected corporate profits.

In testimony to the Senate Banking Committee; Alan Greenspan, Federal Reserve Board chairman, said Tuesday that U.S. ecccomic growth was slower in the sec-

when gross domestic product ex-NEW YORK - U.S. stocks re- panded at a sluggish 2 percent rate. "While the economy struggles, the stock market's real problem is the threat of higher interest rates," The Dow

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Mr. Harrington said. "It's hard to believe that Treasury bond yields are going much lower, so it's hard to believe that stock prices are going much higher."
PepsiCo led the rebound in bev

erage stocks. It gained 114, to 364, after reporting a 20 percent rise in second-quarter earnings.

IBM, which had fallen more than

7 points in the past two sessions recovered %, to 93%.

Syntex, the most actively traded stock, fell 2, to 321/2, after Smith Barney removed the stock from its recommended list in response to the disappointing sales growth of its Toradol painkiller. USAir Group advanced 14, to 144, after British Airways said it would invest about \$750 million in

Meanwhile, Toronto stocks ended sharply lower, after a barrage of sell orders at the opening set the tone for the session

The Torooto Stock Exchange 300 index fell 27.4 points, to 3,425.2. Northern Telecom fell 414, to 411/4. after reporting surprisingly poor second-quarter earnings.
(UPI, Bloomberg, Reuters)

Dollar Eases as Traders Question Central Banks

NEW YORK — The dollar's big raily at the start of the week petered out on Tuesday as participants became skeptical about the prospects for more massive central bank in-

Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve Board chairman, gave the

Foreign Exchange

dollar a short-lived boost when he told Congress he saw no benefits to the U.S. economy from a currency depreciation. Traders said they had expected Mr. Greenspan to support the dollar in more explicit terms following Monday's inter-

The dollar ended at 1.4865 Dentsche marks, down from 1.4935 on Mooday, when intervention gave it a 4 pfennig boost. It had traded as high as 1.5060 DM in Europe earlier before retracing its gains. The dollar also ended at 125.10

yen, down from 125.48. Boh Hatcher at Barclays Bank said Mr. Greenspan's later remark about the dollar gave the U.S. currency "a false boost."

"All in all there was oo earthshaking statement," he said. "You get the impression the market is 125.36. (Reuters, UPI, Bloomberg) taxes on wealthier recipients.

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slowly but steadily trying to push the dollar lower to flush out any

manager at First Interstate Bank, said the market appeared oervous that the Fed and other central banks DM. That was the highest level at

buying by the central banks can only help the dollar in the long run if the U.S. economy exhibits a decisive turnaround, traders said.

lar wholesale and upset the central banks, and possibly trigger another round of dollar buying," said Lou Rappaport, foreign exchange man-ager at Societé Générale.

but it slipped to 5.0225 French The pound rose to \$1.9095 from

The dollar finished higher in Loodon earlier, although well off

possibly intervention attempts." **Amex Diary**

Chuck Spence, corporate forex would buy dollars at around 1.4825 which the Fed intervened Monday. But even more aggressive dollar

"After being scarred yesterday, traders aren't about to sell the dol-

The dollar rose slightly to 1.3234 Swiss frames from 1.3225 Monday, francs from 5.0450.

its best levels. It was quoted at 1.4870 DM, up from 1.4840 DM on

Monday, and was virtually un-

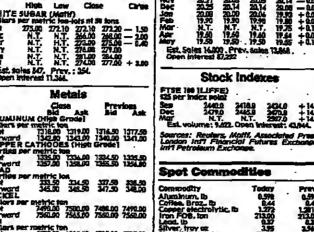
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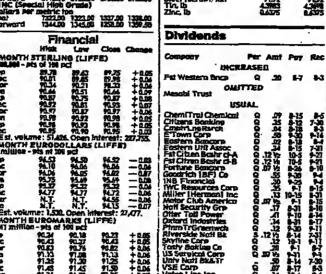
The plan would also limit cost-of-living increases for government

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IBM Slashes PC Prices to Meet Rivals

NEW YORK (AP) — International Business Machines Corp. said

Tuesday it had cut prices on many personal computers by up to 30 percent, bringing the pricing in line with other makers.

The price cuts, which were expected, came on various configurations of IBM's models 35, 56, 57, 70, 90 and 95 desktop PCs, as well as on its lapton and matchant

laptop and notebook-size portables.

The markdowns make IBM machines more competitive with those of Compaq Computer Corp., the largest maker of IBM clones.

Pepsico Earnings Climb 20 Percent

PURCHASE, New York (AP) — Pensico Inc. reported a 20 percent rise in second-quarter earnings Tuesday, buoyed by higher sales in all three of its divisions: beverages, snack foods and restaurants.

The company earned \$383 million in the quarter ending June 13, compared with \$318.3 million in the same period a year ago. Sales grew 11 percent to \$5.2 billion.

Beverage division operating profits rose 15 percent, to \$295.3 million.

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On a sales increase of 9 percent, to \$1.9 billion. Sales growth was spurred by a successful advertising campaign for Diet Pepsi, the company said.

GTE Quarterly Income Sets Record

STAMFORD Connecticut (UPI) — GTE Corp., citing growth in its cellular-mobile business, Tuesday reported second-quarter net income climbed to a record \$446 million from \$394 million during the second-

quarter last year.

Sales for the world's fourth-largest publicly held telecommunications company jumped to \$5 billion from 4.8 billion last year. For the first six months, GTE said, its net income surged to \$873 million from \$604 million during the same period last year. Sales rose to \$9.88 billion from

Weak Sales Continue to Plague Sears

CHICAGO (AP) — Sears, Roebuck & Co. said Tuesday its second-quarter earnings rose 15.5 percent despite a lackluster showing by its struggling retail business.

The giant retailing and financial services company reported income of \$345 8 million, up from \$299.4 million in the similar period last year. Revenue rose 1.3 percent, to \$14.27 billion.

Second-quarter income for the Sears Merchandise Group fell 50.0

percent, to \$78.5 million from \$156.9 million for the like period last year.

Allstate Insurance reported earnings of \$235.3 million, up 68.3 percent from \$139.8 million a year earlier.

Georgia-Pacific Idles Mills in 3 States

ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia-Pacific Corp., one of the leading U.S. paper mill companies, is temporarily shutting mills in Arkansas, Maine

and Mississippi because of a weak market.

The company said Tuesday it will close its Monticetto, Mississippi, shill on Ang. 10 for two weeks to reduce linerboard inventories. The plant employs 600. Earlier the company said it would shut its Ashdown, Arkansas, plant for three weeks, affecting 70 workers.

At Woodland, Maine, a shutdown of the communications-paper important and the short day.

chine began July 3. The machine is to be restarted Aug. 3, then shot down again Aug. 12 through Aug. 31. The closing affects 40 workers.

For the Record

BFGoodrich Co. amounced plans Tuesday to spend \$81 million in a major expansion of aircraft maintenance, repair and overhand facilities at its Tramco subsidiary in Everett, Washington.

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Scott Paper Co., citing strong growth in personal care products.

Tuesday reported its second-quarter net income jumped 53 percent.

\$46.6 million, from the like period last year.

Weyerhaeuser Co. second-quarter earnings increased by 44 percent from a year earlier, the company said Tuesday. Weyerhacuser earned \$92.9 million on sales of \$2.3 billion. (AP)

PLAN: Perot's Economic Program

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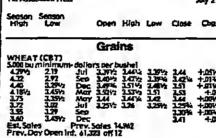
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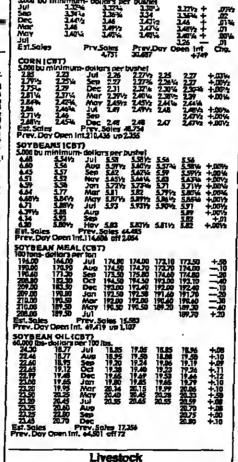
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Frosty Economic Outlook for Russia

By Eleanor Randolph

Washington Post Service
MOSCOW—The prospect of a hard winter for the fledgling market economy in Russia appeared to grow this week as the estimate for grain production was cut and economic data showed a sharp decline in industrial output in the first half of this year.

Government statistics released in the news-

paper Izvestia also suggested that nearly half of Russia's population now falls below what is deemed here to be the poverty level. Surveys of stores showed that in spite of price increases, many products such as meat and regetable oil are still missing from shelves. For some analysts, the data presaged a tough winter, with lowered grain production meaning higher prices for bread, the staple of the Russian thet. The State Committee for Statistics warned that food production for

the first half of 1992 had dropped 23 percent. Lowered grain production levels last year brought fears that the winter of 1991-92 would bring famine to Russians for the first

Recession Brings a Loss

LONDON — Aer Lingus Group, the Irish state-owned air-line, said Tuesday the international recession had led it to its first annu-

al loss in 10 years and it could see

few signs of recovery.

The sirline reported an after-tax (aloss of 11.8 million punts (\$21.6

million) for the year ended March 31, compared with a profit of 8.3

million punts the previous year. The chief executive, Cathal Mullin,

said price wars and excess capacity

on some of the Irish carrier's main

Reuters Takes Over Visnews

And Manages Higher Profit
Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches

acquiring the minority holdings held by NBC and BBC.

LONDON - Reuters Holdings PLC said Tuesday that it was taking

full control of Visnews, an international television news agency, by

Renters also reported a rise in first-half profit, but Peter Job, the chief

executive, said the company was "mable to predict any improvement in revenue growth rates at this time." The pessimistic outlook pushed Renters shares down 25 pence on the London Stock Exchange, to £11.26.

Mr. Job said there had been a slowdown in first-half revenue growth that

reflected "the lower levels of new orders taken last year," Revenue rose 6

percent, to £748.4 million (\$1.43 billion) from £705.3 million a year earlier.

Renters's pretax profit rose 10 percent, to £187.4 million.
Renters, which owns 51 percent of Visnews, said it had reached an agreement to buy NBC's 37.75 percent holding and BBC's 11.25 percent

Mr. Job, who also is chairman of Visnews, said, "We intend to invest in

television and make Visnews a more powerful force by extending its

operations into Reuters' network of 118 reporting bureaus worldwide."
He said Reuters would invest "millions of pounds" to re-equip Visnews.

Visnews had a depressing impact on Reuters's first-half results, with sales falling to £26.5 million from £30.6 million. Mr. Jobs said, however, that Visnews had "reasonable prospects ahead."

(AP, AF2)

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time in decades. But stores of food, Western aid and imports of grain eased the country

through the winter.

This year's production levels also spell trouble for President Boris N. Yeltsin's government, where market reformers have become increasingly unpopular as they put into effect changes that could put millions out of work by the end of the year.

The government said overall industrial production fell more than 13 percent from the first half of 1991, the Associated Press

With drastic price increases in the new free market, many people have received wage increases only on paper. Short of cash, the government owes workers an estimated 221.6 billion rubles (\$1.6 billion), according to the Russian statistical center. In one area, three workers were paid with one 5,000 ruble note, which is a little more than \$37.

Russian farmers have in recent weeks protested the low state prices for grain and have asked for price increases that probably would raise the price of bread in shops from a range of 8 to 12 rubles per loaf to 40 to 50 rubles. In spite of what seemed to be bad econom-ic news, Izvestia called the latest series of

reports "fairly optimistic, though the decline of economic indexes is observed practically in all areas."

The government-supported newspaper also said: "For all these difficulties of the period of transition, the process in which the fundamentals of a market economy are being created appears promising." They cited in-creases in creation of companies shedding their state status and turning into "commercial" enterprises.

■ Ruble Falls Sharply

The ruble fell sharply against the dollar Tuesday as the U.S. unit rose to 151.1 rubles from 135.4 rubles last week, Reuters reported. Itar-Tass news agency blamed the weakness on the appointment of Viktor Gerash-chenko as Russia's central bank chief. He recently said that money spent defending the ruble could have been better spent elsewhere.

Givenchy Puts Discounters in a Box

New York Times Service NEW YORK - The U.S. division of Parfums Givencby SA, the French cosmetics and fragrance company, is testing a new legal weapon in the battle against diversion — the mysterious migration of luxu-

ry products into discount stores.

In a suit filed in Los Angeles, Givenchy charged that Drug Emporium Inc. violated a copyright by importing and selling without permission the opulent box in which its Amarige perfume is packaged.

"This is a whole new approach in pursuit of the age-old problem of diversion," said Robert L. Brady, president of Parfums Givenchy U.S.A. Lawyers who specialize in intellectual property agreed.

Trademark law protects luxury-goods companies against importation of counterfeit goods, not unantho-

rized distribution. Copyright law, however, bars impor-tation of copyrighted material without permission. Last year, a U.S. appeals court determined that a

Los Angeles record store owner, Edmundo Perez, violated copyright laws by purchasing recordings manufactured abroad and importing them without the permission of the companies holding the copyrights. There is, however, an apparent contradiction in the

law. Another section prevents a copyright holder from restricting a sale if the material was acquired lawfully. Givenchy often buys out inventories of its goods from unauthorized stores. In some cases, a manufacturer's own retailers sell into the gray market. Goods intended for sale in duty-free shops and U.S. military bases often find their way into unauthorized U.S.

NBC: Olympics Advance Claimed Germany Moves on Sales

July 13, were, if accurate, extremely

impressive. "I don't blame them for being bullish with figures like that."

The bullishness comes in the face of continuing ridicule about the project's prospects. Even NBC's own talk-show host David Letterman jokes about the Triplecast virtually every night.

More up-to-date figures will be much harder to get before the Tri-plecast begins Sunday, Mr. Dolan said, because sign-ups from now on will largely be handled by individual cable systems. The Triplecast hopes to add enormously to its total revenue through sign-ups for individual days of coverage, priced

Mr. Gerbrandt said the one-day closer to Mr. Dolan's rosiest fore- highlights.

(Continued from first finance page) cast, especially because of the pub-"Dream Team," made up of all-

> The rate of buying the Triplecast should escalate as the event receives saturation promotion over Much of the promotion is being done by NBC, which is in the uncommon position of marketing the

A main marketing strategy for

lie fascination with the basketball stars from the National Basketball Association.

the event has been to denigrate the broadcast coverage for its heavy load of commercial interruptions. In NBC's coverage, about one minute in every four will be a commercial, promotion or station-break interruption, Mr. Dolan said. NBC option was the "wild card" that executives have freely said the could drive the figures up much broadcast coverage will consist of

the next week, Mr. Dolan said.

Triplecast at the expense of its network broadcast coverage of the Olympics.

after 2002, agreed the state should eventually sell all of its stake in Lufthansa. It said Germany should retain a blocking minority of 25.1 percent until the creation of the European Community's single market because other EC countries still had major stakes in national airlines. Lufthansa posted a net loss of 426 million DM (\$285 million) in 1991 and has said it did not expect much improvement in 1992. For Telekom, the government agreed that partial privatization would be the best way to enable it to operate in the increasingly liberalized world telecommunications markets. (Reuters, AP, AFP)

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Spanish Tax Rise To Combat Deficit

By Brian McGarry Special to the Herald Tribun

BARCELONA - The Spanish government on Tuesday announced a package of emergency measures in an attempt to bring its burgeoning budget deficit under control.

In a surprise move and one that sets the tone for a restrictive 1993 budget, the government decree ineluded an increase in the personal income tax rate.

With a general election to be held within 15 months, such an unpopular move appears to illustrate the government's concern over recent economie developments.

The increase in the income tax rate, which ranges from 0.5 per-centage point to 3 points, reversed a ent introduced by the government just five months ago. It was not immediately clear when the tax increase would be effective.

The measures also included an increased in the standard rate of value-added tax, to 15 percent from 13 percent, effective Aug. 1, and across-the-board spending cuts for government departments for the remainder of the year.

In the past few days, the government has said it hoped to increase revenue by 130 billion pesetas (\$1.39 billion) for the remainder of the year and reduce expenditures by 196 billion pesetas.

The move comes amid faltering confidence in the outlook for the Spanish economy and large losses on the Madrid Stock Exchange,

which has fallen more than 10 percent this year.

Among the Spanish economy's problems are a 40 percent increase in the budget deficit in the first half of the year, to 1.227 trillion pesetas, or 86 percent of its 1992 target of

1.420 trillion pesetas.

An increase in the VAT had to be implemented before January 1993 in accordance with European Community fiscal harmonization. But it is a measure of the Spanish economy's current problems that the rate increase has been brought forward. as it will have an immediate and significant effect on inflation.

The economic, finance and commerce minister, Carlos Solchaga Catalán, announced that the government ernment's target of 5 percent infla-tion by year-end would not be achieved, and revised his forecast to a 6.4 percent-to-6.5 percent range. Spanish inflation was running at an annual rate of 6.2 percent in him. cent in June.

Many independent analysts, however, say the government will have difficulty holding inflation below 7 percent.

The increase in the fiscal burden is likely to burt consumer spending, which has underpinned Spain's economic growth in recent years.

But Max Ebstein, director of international relations at Banco Bilbao Vizcaya, said government's measures "represent both a message and a commitment to the Spanish people and the financial community that the government is going to put its house in order.

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Very briefly:

 Germany's auto production rose 2 percent, to a record 2.59 million units, in the first half of 1992, the Association of German Vehicle Manufacturers said; domestic car registrations fell 9.2 percent, to 2.187 million, while exports jumped 21 percent, to 1.32 million.

• LM Ericsson Telefon AB said it won a five-year, 890 million Swedish kronor (\$168 million) contract from Telekom Malaysia to supply and provide engineering services for digital switching equipment.

• The Netherlands saw job growth fall to 1.6 percent in the first quarter of 1992 and the last quarter of 1991, from 2.3 percent in mid-1991 and 3

percent in the last quarter of 1990, the Central Bureau of Statistics said. Prodential Corp., Britain's largest life insurer, said new single premiums slipped 0.3 percent worldwide in the first half from a year earlier, to £1.837 billion (\$3.52 billion), while annual premiums fell 1.6 percent, to

 Amper SA said it would make a statement Wednesday on its 49 percent stake in AT&T Network Systems España; press reports said Amper would sell the stake to AT&T Network Systems International, which owns the other 51 percent, for 4.3 billion pesetas (\$46 million).

AFX, AFP, Bloomberg

Economic Rise Seen for Latin Nations

International Herald Tribune

MADRID - As Latin American heads of state began arriving in Madrid on Tuesday for the second Ibero-American summit conference, economists said the region is poised for economic takeoff after a lost

decade of stagnant growth.

Fiscal responsibility and falling inflation give grounds for prudent optimism, said Enrique V. Iglesias, president of the Inter-American Development Bank. Addressing a conference on Latin America's new economic climate, organized by the bank in collaboration with the International Herald Tribune and Argentaria Banking Corp. of Spain, Mr. Iglesias pointed to the increasing return of flight capital, the declining role of government and reliance on market forces.

FLY: American Gateway for BA (Continued from page 1) (Continued from page 1)

Of Lufthansa and Telekom

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BERLIN - Chancellor Helmut Kohl's cabinet on Tuesday ap-

proved plans to sell the government's 53 percent stake in Lufthansa

German Airlines and eventually part of Bundespost Telekom, the

Both of the privatizations face long delays, however, since Lufth-

The plan, proposed by the Finance Ministry, set no dates for the

It said the federal government's share of airport corporations

The cabinet, which agreed last week to privatize German railways

should be reduced and that some other state-owned companies, such

sales but recommended the continuation of the policy of privatiza-tion begun in 1983, which has so far brought 10.5 billion Deutsche

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marks (\$7 billion) into state coffers.

ministration with a singular opportunity to achieve a competitive breakthrough in air services be-tween the United States and Great Britain," said the company's chair-

man, Stephen Wolf.)
The deal was a setback of sorts
for KLM Royal Dutch Airlines. which analysts had regarded as a candidate for an alliance with British Airways even after the two broke off negotiations in February. For BA, one of KLM's chief attractions was its stake in Northwest

Lord King called USAir an "ideal partner," noting that his airline draws its passengers largely from Tuesday. Sir Colin Marshall, chief what he termed "one little island," executive of British Airways, noted compared with USAir's catchment that the two carriers would be

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Like its U.S. peers, USAir has adjustments in advertising.

been posting beavy losses. It posted a pretax loss of \$414.8 million in 1991, while British Airways was the world's most profitable carrier with a pretax profit of £285 million (\$546 million) in the year to March

For its \$750 million cash infusion, British Airways will receive convertible preferred shares that pay an annual interest rate of 7

percent The proposed alliance must now pass muster with regulators in Washington, London and Brussels, as well as with USAir's sharehold-

Synergy was a much invoked word by executives of both airlines Tuesday. Sir Colin Marshall, chief area that covers a large portion of the United States.

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THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, by an Order dated 20th July, 1992 made in the above matters, the High Court of Justice has sanctioned the Scheme of Arrangement ("the Closing Scheme") between The Mediterranean Insurance & Reinsurance Company Limited ("the Company") and its Closing Scheme Creditors (as defined in the Closing Scheme) so as to be binding on the Company and the Closing Scheme

The Closing Scheme became operative on 21st July, 1992.

Any person who is or believes that he may be a Closing Scheme Creditor can obtain copies of the Closing Scheme Claim Form and the Form of Withdrawal from the Company's registered office at Ibex House, 42-47 Minories, London EC3N 1DY or from the office of Clifford Chance, Royex House, Aldermanbury Square, London EC2V 7LD, in each case during usual business hours on any day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) prior to 18th November, 1992.

Closing Scheme Creditors should note that failure to return the Closing Scheme Claim Form and, if appropriate, the Form of Withdrawal in respect of any Closing Scheme Claim to the Company by 19th October, 1992 in accordance with the provisions of the Closing Scheme may, in certain circumstances, result in such claim being valued at nil.

22nd July, 1992

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ASEAN Renews Free-Trade Goal As Protectionists Keep Up Pressure

By Michael Richardson

MANILA - Southeast Asian nations on Tuesday affirmed their commitment to form a free-trade area next year, but analysts said pressure for special treatment from some industries threatens to weak-

en the program.

The Philippines and Thailand, the two countries where protectionist pressure appears strongest, gave high-level assurances of adherence to the free-trade accord at a meeting here of foreign ministers of the Association of South East Asian Nations. The trade accord was reached at an ASEAN summit in

Singapore in January.

But analysts said the key test would come in October, when lists of "temporary exemptions" for products that would be adversely hit by the accord's proposed cuts in tariffs are released by ASEAN eco-

nomic ministers.
Indonesia and Malaysia also are expected to seek some exemptions for their industries.

"A regional wrestling match is already under way over exclusions and special cases," said Eric Stone, deputy editor of Asian Business

The ASEAN Free Trade Area. be added, "will cost some compa-nies money and it is fast becoming a political hot potato in some coun-

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tariffs on manufactured items, pro-cessed agricultural products and capital goods to a maximum of 5 government that will take office after elections in the fall may be susceptible to private-sector calls percent by 2008. They also identifor smaller tariff cuts.

fied 15 widely traded product sec-tors for deep cuts in 1993.

They said their aim was to emuof the Federation of Thai Industries, said earlier this month that a numlate integrated regional markets emerging in Europe and North America, and to make the fastwere not ready to face direct competition from ASEAN imports. growing ASEAN economies more

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Eric Stone of Asian

Business magazine.

efficient and attractive to foreign

ASEAN comprises Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singa-pore, Thailand and Brunei and has a population of about 330 million. The Thai government — appointed to restore calm and organize elections after violent conflict in May between a military-dominated regime and pro-democracy demonstrators - is committed to

the free-trade program. But there is concern among officials and businessmen in other

prospect of access to new markets gapore summit to gradually reduce ASEAN countries that the new support the free-trade program provided the government reduced

iaxes on energy and imports. The OECD notes New Zealand
Analysts said such steps would and Australia have been successful Nonetheless, Fidel V. Ramos, who recently took over as president of the Philippines, told the foreign ministers on Tuesday that his ad-

mitted" to the free-trade plan.

Chavarat Charnvirakul, chairman

country would honor an undertak-

ing made by Prime Minister Anand

Panyarachun at the Singapore summit that virtually all tariff rates

would be reduced to a maximum of 30 percent by January 1993, and to

He acknowledged there were

some industries in Thailand that

"have enjoyed protection for so long that they are inclined to resist

the inevitable trends towards liber-

alization." But he said these indus-

tries must be persuaded that they would benefit in the long run from

Meneleo Carlos, chairman of the

industry division of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Indus-try, said some industrial sectors in

the Philippines, such as processed

foods and cement, were saddled

with relatively high input costs.

But Mr. Carlos said that other

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In Pacific

PARIS — Asia is a long way from forming a cohesive economic and trade unit, judging from economic and employment figures of three industrial countries in the region covered to a Notate of the countries in the region covered to the countries in the countries and the countries in the countries and the countries are considered to the considered t ered in a Wednesday report from the Organization for Economic Co-Arsa Sarasin, the Thai foreign minister, said Tuesday that his operation and Development.

The contrast between Australia and New Zealand on one hand and Japan on the other could not be much stronger. The newly industrialized nations of the East Asia are not yet members of the OECD and

were not included in the study.

Throughout the 1980s, Japan enjoyed a long, steady economic expansion, with low unemployment. that is only just coming to an abrupt end. But the two nations of Oceania, as the OECD calls it, have gone through a roller-coaster ride, with doyment rising recently to double digit rates.

New Zealand's jobless level is

expected to surge to 11.8 percent this year and 12 percent in 1993 from an average of 4.6 percent from 1981 to 1989. Australia, which averaged 7.7 percent unemployment in the 1980s, has a rate of 10.4 percent, which is expected to ease to 9.9 percent in 1993.

industries — including electronics, chemicals, textiles and paper — were "quite bullish" about the New Zealand and Australia, under economic stress in the late 1980s because of difficulties facing their commodities exports, have been forced to abandon industrial protectionism and introduce changes in many cozy employment practices.
The OECD notes New Zealand

be difficult for the government, in curbing labor costs, setting the which relies on import and energy stage for a robust recovery this year. taxes for nearly half its revenue. Japan, by contrast, faces a sharp slowdown in 1992, with only a modest recovery likely in 1993. But regardless of the ups-and-downs of its economy, unemployment is expectministration was "specifically com- ed to remain remarkably stable at just over 2 percent of the work force.

OECD Finds National Australian Differences Agrees to Buy BNZ

WELLINGTON — National Anstralian Bank said Tuesday it had agreed to acquire Bank of New Zealand for 1.48 billion New Zealand dollars (\$810 million). The New Zealand governme

which owns 58.23 percent of BNZ, provisionally accepted the offer.

The offer "represents approximately twice the book value of the bank, and by any standards that is a good price," Finance Minister Ruth Richardson told Parliament. The offer also was backed by the

bank's other major owner, Capital

Markets Ltd., a subsidiary of merchant bank Fay Richwhite, which holds 26.81 percent. The balance of the shares are held by the public. National Australian Bank said it was offering 80 New Zealand cents for each share of BNZ common stock and 95 cents for each con-

BNZ shares eased 3 cents on Tuesday, to 76, and analysts said the offer represented a good price. Rumors for the last year that NAB wanted to buy ENZ have been reflected in BNZ's share price," said Paul Rusten, an analyst with Barclays de Zoete Wedd in Auckland. The share price has en well supported in the last few days. It is basically as high as it's

trade, which is now largely banned.

tional Australian closed at 7.84 Australian dollars (S5.83), up 4 cents.

Bank of New Zealand ran into problems during the late 1980s because of the worldwide stock market crash and its exposure to Equiticorp, a merchant bank that went into liquidation with heavy debts. The government in late 1990 helped bail the bank out by quaran-tining its underperforming loans of 2.8 billion New Zealand dollars in

Adbro, a separate entity owned 81 percent by the government and 19 percent by Capital Markets. Mrs. Richardson said Adbro would be "unwound in a way that cusures that the government gets back its initial investment of 420 million dollars together with a re-

turn of 15 percent per annum. National Australian Bank has been a buyer of savings banks in recent years, buying Clydesdale Bank PLC, Northern Bank Ltd. and National Irish Bank in 1987, and paying 2 billion Australian dollars for Yorkshire Bank PLC in 1990. The bank, with assets of 95.2

billion Australian dollars, posted an operating profit of 405.6 million in the six months ended March 31. BNZ, with assets of 19.8 billion New Zealand dollars, had a net profit of 171.1 million New Zeakely to go." land dollars in the year ended Fay Richwhite shares added 6 March 31. (AFP, AFX, Bloomberg)

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Investor's Asia

Smithkline Beecham PLC said it reached an out-of-court settlement requiring nine Japanese drug makers to stop importing, manufacturing and selling a key ingredient of its Tagamet pleer drug.

• Great Wall Electronic International, a Hong Kong audio and television products company said net profit in the fiscal year to March 31 rose 38.1 percent, to 111.2 million Hong Kong dollars (\$14.4 million).

Gold Cup Auto, a Chinese truck and van maker that went public in 1988, will be one of the first companies listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange from outside the Shanghai area.

• Burns Philp & Co., an Australian company that is one of the world's largest yeast producers, plans to build a yeast plant in Harbin, China. SEOUL - Despite lingering obstacles, the visit of North Korea's top economist triggered proposals Tuesday for the two Koreas to open up • The Austrian Finance Ministry has joined an insider-dealing inquiry by the Vienna bourse into suspect dealings in shares OMV AG. The chairmen of South Korea's five leading business organizations

 Samsung Corp. and Corning Inc. will set up the world's third-largest manufacturer of glass for color television picture tubes in Malaysia, with an expected payroll of 1,000 by 1995.

The Knala Lumpur Stock Exchange's extension of trading by 90 minutes daily could draw Japanese and European investors from Singapore,

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Weak Profit Outlook Pushes Honda Shares to 16-Year Low

TOKYO - Expectations of lower earnings pushed Honda Motor Co.'s stock price to a 16-year low on Tuesday, continuing a seven-week rout that has cost the stock more than a quarter of its value.

Honda's shares fell 20 yen (16.1 cents), to 1,110 yen. That is down 27.5 percent from a June 1 peak of 1,530, and the lowest level since mid-1976 "It was over-valued vis-à-vis its competitors until three months ago, said Steven Usher, auto analyst with Kleinwort Beason Securities, "and a sharp decline was expected. Although analysts said the worst of the slide is probably over, no one is

expecting a quick rebound. In early 1992, Honda was widely recommended as attractive for investors wanting an exposure to the U.S. recovery. But the expected strong rebound in the U.S. economy has faded, and Honda has seen its

market share there come under pressure. "I expect downward revisions in its earnings, and its stock price won't do anything," Mr. Usher said.

Honda has forecast pretax profit of 120 billion yen in the year ending March 31, 1993, down from 130.7 billion yen last year. Koji Endo of S.G. Warburg Securities predicted pretax profit in the April-June and July-September quarters would be 30 to 35 percent below year-earlier levels, at around 10 billion yen a quarter.

He said a rise in Honda's selling prices in February eroded its U.S.

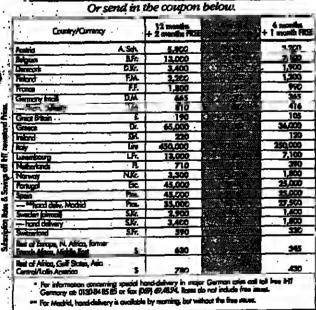
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Reds Beat Cubs To Raise Lead Over Atlanta

The Cincinnati R-ds have lost some key players and momentum lately, but they haven't lost the lead in the National League West. Left-hander Tom Browning, with a knee in-

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jury, has gone for the rest of the season and rookie outfielder Reggie Sanders is out for at least three weeks with a broken rib. But their 5-2 victory over the Chicago Cubs in Riverfront Stadium on Monday night edged

the Reds one and a half games ahead of the idle Atlanta Braves, who have won nine in a row. It was the Reds' fourth straight victory. "We're playing with a purpose," said their manager, Lou Piniella.

Bip Roberts' seventh-inning double tied the score at 2 and Barry Larkin's sacrifice fly put

Cincinnati ahead to stay.

The Reds' rally spoiled a sharp comeback

3d Time Lucky? Not for Hough

ompiled by Our Staff From Disputches The third time wasn't a charm for Charlie

Tim Hulett hit an RBI single with one out in the 12th inning Monday night in Chicago, giv-ing the Baltimore Orioles a 3-2 victory over the White Sox and spoiling Hough's third bid for

his 200th victory in the major leagues.
"I keep my little stats," said the Orioles' manager, Johnny Oates, "and I'd rather have

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our team face Roger Clemens than Charlie Hough. Nine of our 15 guys are under .200 against him. We can't even hit the ball ont of the infield against him."

But the Orioles, who had been held to four hits, waited until Hough departed after eight innings, then took advantage of two controversial calls in the ninth to tie.

With the score 2-2 in the Orioles' 12th, Randy Milligan drew a leadoff walk from Roberto Hernandez and reached third on Joe Orsulak's double to right. Hulett then singled an 0-2 pitch to left, scoring Milligan with the game-winner.

Angels 5, Blue Jays 3: Junior Felix scored the go-ahead run on a balk in the seventh inning as California beat visiting Toronto for its seventh

victory in eight games. Red Sox 5, Royals 3; Tom Brunansky doubled, tripled and drove in three runs for Boston, helping Paul Quantrill win his major league debut in Kansas City.

performance by Mike Harkey, who was making his first major league start since shoulder sur-

gery in May 1991.

Harkey threw three-hit ball for five innings before giving up a leadoff triple and a walk in the sixth. Chuck McElroy killed that threat, but was charged with both runs in the seventh.

Exnos 2. Giants 1: Brian Barnes pitched three-hit ball over eight-plus innings and drove in a run with a sixth-inning single as Montreal beat visiting San Francisco.

Padres 2, Phillies 1: Fred McGriff's secondinning homer and his ninth-inning RBI single gave San Diego its victory in Philadelphia.

Jim Deshaies and Greg Mathews, two pitchers trying to make major league comebacks, matched pitches for seven innings.

Dodgers 9, Mets 2: Howard Johnson mis-played Mitch Webster's two-out fly ball to center into a tiebreaking two-run triple in the eighth as Los Angeles won in New York. The Mets had scored two runs in the fifth with the help of three wild pitches.

Astros 11, Pirates 8: Rookie Eddie Taubensee hit his first major league home run, doubled. singled, drove in two runs and scored twice against Pittsburgh in Houston.
Ken Caminiti also homered, singled and

drove in three runs as the Astros snapped a four-game losing streak. In its previous four games against Atlanta at home, Houston scored only four runs.

Steinbrenner: March 1

New York Times Service NEW YORK - The most anticlimactic

step in George Steinbrenner's return to an active role with the New York Yankees is to be taken within the next week: the announcement by Commissioner Fay Vincent of the timing and the terms of the owner's return. Steve Greenberg, the deputy commission-er, and Arnold Burns, Steinbrenner's lawyer, met Monday to discuss the agreement under which Steinbrenner will return March 1.

Brewers 5, Rangers 4: B.J. Surhoff hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the bottom of the ninth to beat visiting Texas. Milwaukee had scored three times in the eighth to tie.

Indians 5, Twins 1: Cleveland scored twice with two outs in the first on a walk, Albert Belle's RBI single and Paul Sorrento's RBI double in Minneapolis.

Yankees L. Athletics 0; New York scored in the third inning in Oakland when Mel Hall hit a high fly that fell when center fielder Willie Wilson, who appeared to have a play on the ball, pulled up and let left fielder Rickey Henderson try for the catch. Don Mattingly followed with a double just out of Henderson's

Tigers 6, Mariners 4: Lou Whitaker's checked-swing single put Detroit ahead during a four-run seventh that gave Detroit the victory in Seattle. (UPI, AP)



Greg LeMond leaving L'Alpe d'Huez after dropping out of the Tour de France. "Having to quit like that really does something to your morale, something bad," said Vincent Barteau, a former teammate and a close friend.

Has LeMond, at 31, Cycled Past His Last Finish Line?

By Samuel Abt

LA BOURBOULE, France - The coach of Greg LeMond's Z team confirmed Tuesday that the American will not try to break the world record for the hour's bicycle ride against the clock next month.

The attempt, planned for more than a year, was contingent on LeMond's form and spirit after the Tour de France, and became the first consequence of his withdrawal Sunday because of exhaustion and a painful right knee.

Or was it the first? ' Some people are asking now if LeMond's illustrious career is also not imperiled and near

He first rode in the Tour de France in 1984 at the age of 23, finishing third. He was second the next year. In 1986 he won for the first time, then sat out two Tours after an accidental shooting while bunting. He returned in 1989 to win again, and repeated in 1990.

But last year he finished seventh after climbing poorly and now is already gone after faltering again in the mountains.

Is be finished in the one race that means the most to him? Is he finished, at 31, in the sport of professional bicycle racing itself?
LeMond denied that strongly Sunday night.

"This just shows how hard the Tour is," he insisted. "It's not the end of an era." Others are not so sure.

"I don't know about finished, but he's certainly closer to the finish than he was at the start of the Tour," said Vincent Bartean, a former teammate and a close friend. "Having to

Conversations with other former racers and people in the sport reflected the same doubt. All agreed, however, that it was too soon to say whether LeMond will ever again mount the Tour's victory podium.

"What we do know is that LeMond's taken a very hard blow to his morale, and without strong morale you're finished, said Bernard Hinault, who won the Tour five times. Like Barteau, he is a Frenchman and a former teammate of LeMond's, but not a friend. The two battled for the victory in 1986, although Hinault had publicly promised to help his protege

Bernard Thevenet, who won the Tour twice in the mid-1970s, said that "what LeMond needs is an exploit, maybe at the world championships, a real exploit to lift his morale. If he can accomplish that, it will be much easier to come back strong next year."

Thevenet spoke Tuesday before the start of the 16th stage, which covered 212 kilometers (131 miles) from St. Etienne to La Bourboule. The stage was won by Stephen Roche, an Irishman who rides for Carrera and finished first in the 1987 Tour before going into a decline himself.

Starting in hot and sunny weather, he arrived in cold fog and drizzle in a countryside littered with dormant volcanoes. Roche's time was 5 hours, 53 minutes, 14 seconds, with Slava Ekimov of Panasaonic second, 46 seconds back, and Jon Unzaga of Clas third, 50 seconds back. The leaders' pack arrived just after Unzaga

and there were no changes at the top, where Miguel Indurain remains in the yellow jersey and Claudio Chiappucci is still 1:42 behind

Indurain's domination of the 79th Tour remains constant and his bright future is a major factor in LaMond's.

"What's certain is that there are riders, like Indurain, who are younger than Greg," said Roger Legeay, LeMond's coach and the man who recruited him for the Z team in 1989. "I can't believe that a rider of his quality is finished at 31," said Legeay, a former rider

"Nothing's finished as long as he sets reasonable goals," Legeay continued. "He can have goals that are still important but reasonable." He would not define what he meant by "reasonable" or say whether that included the Tour

Thevenet also pointed to LeMond's weariness before the start in Spain on July 4. The rider said the day before the start that he was exhausted from his travels from Belgium, which were slowed by a truckers' blockade of the border and a pilots' strike.

"It's impossible to say if he's finished because he arrived at the start tired," Thevenet said. "Ten or 15 years ago you could do that and ride yourself into top shape.

"But this year, with the rain and the speed of the race, it's been impossible to recuperate. So he had his difficulties." What causes a rider to decline?

"It's much more a drop in motivation than in

your legs," Thevenet answered. Graham Jones, an Englishman and a former

rider for French and English teams from 1979 to 1988, said that "I don't think a rider ever does realize really why and how he's in decline. There's always hope that it will come back.

"But I think one day you have to make the decision that you're not going to do it and just retire, as I did.

"I decided the time had come when I thought I wasn't doing justice to myself."

Jones also thought LeMond was not through.

"Nope, definitely not," he said. "He's still not old by cycling standards and I think he can

"I think you never really know why you're declining," said John Eustice, a former American rider in Europe and at home until he retired two years ago. He is is conducting Tour interviews for the ESPN cable television station. "And even if you know, you don't want to

know," he said.
"What happens is you have a lot of strength, but there come certain points where you just don't have it," he continued. "When the others go at a higher speed, when there's that little extra thing you can't do - when those little

things start happening, they add up.
"And you can't explain why you don't have it, and you think, Well that must have been problem, it's going to be O.K.

"It's very hard to be reasonable, especially
for champious like LeMond, because they're

unreasonable and that's why they're champi-

Eustice then repeated a remark that Indurain, three years younger than LeMond, made during an interview: "Greg will have to learn to accept the laws of life, just as I will have to learn to accept them some day."

BOOKS

CHINATOWN: Portrait of a Closed Society

By Gwen Kinkead, Illustrated, 211 pages. \$23. HarperCollins Publishers. 10 East 53d Street, New York, New York 10022.

Reviewed by

Richard F. Shepard OR immigrant Chinese, New York I is their city of choice in the United States. Half of New York's 300,000 Chinese live in Chinatown, the venerable quarter on the bottom of the Lower East Side, where the very street names like Pell and Mott seem to be Chinese in origin although they are in fact not remotely related to the population that settled there.

For a relatively small enclave, China-town has probably received more attention (measured by the page) than any other ethnic neighborhood in the city. For much more than a century it has attracted reporters and other writers, mostly because of its residents' striking difference from the Europeans, and even the Africans and Latin Americans, who arrived there. For outsiders, Chinatown has always been characterized, more likely victimized, by its apparent apartness from everything else.

Everything said about Chinatown in the past had something extreme in it: the lowest juvenile delinquency, the greatest number of opium dens, the greatest ad-

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herence to old-country tradition, the

rious journalist, set herself the task of investigating Chinatown, and her findings make engrossing reading in "Chinathe crime, on the oppressive way of life town: A Portrait of a Closed Society." endured by newcomers. It is not the facts Engrossing but troubling. Kinkead has diligently and successfully penetrated what she believed to be the impenetra-

What she found seems to have come as a shock: "Much of the activity that goes on around these streets oo one ever bears about and no one ever reads about; most of it is not reported even in Chinatown's four Chinese-language daily newspapers.

"The crimes that take place here are often so serious and so bizarre that the area sometimes resembles Hong Kong at its wildest. In Chinatown, there is a social order so ruthless that its very existence seems to be against the law, but because the area is so isolated from the

From this, she goes on to tell of the tongs, or fraternal organizations that frequently influence all activities; the immipay their way to New York; the terrible working conditions in the nonunion garbling: its preoccupation with money; its narcotics use is not a problem that afflicts Chinatown residents.

Kinkead's probing is not completely

censorious. A large part of the book -ways a touchy business because of undermost frightful gang wars. Gwen Kinkead, an observant and cucourse, Chinese food. What is troubling is her emphasis on

rest of society, most of the people who live here accept it as normal."

grants who sell themselves in bondage to ment shops; Chinatown's love of gamgs, and its role as a leading center of mternational drug trade, although

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of her findings, which are well supported, but the stress that leaves a reader with the impression that the web of iniquity wraps up most Chinatown life.

describes Chinese medical practice, the standable sensibilities arising out of a care lavished on the children and, of sense of vulnerability. Kinkead's book could have benefited by putting it into the context of New York immigration in general, a reference that would recognize the special conditions of these Asians but. would also note that they are not unique to others searching for the Golden Land.

Richard F. Shepard is on the staff of The Writing about immigrant groups is al- New York Times.

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The Associated Press BARCELONA — Kuzia Lumpur was cho-sen Tuesday as the host of the 1998 Common-

wealth Games. The Commonwealth Games Federation picked Malaysia's capital over Adelaide, Australia, the other Southern Hemisphere

With country representatives casting single ballots, the vote was 40 to 25.

Malaysia has begun building a village for athletes in the Kuala Lumpur suburb of Bukit Jahii and two stadiums, one capable of scating 100,000, the other with a capacity of

The total cost of those facilities alone is projected at \$240 million. Adelaide, on the other hand, already has

most of the necessary stadiums, bousing, pools, tracks and fields in place. The Commonwealth Games, held every four years, are one of the largest sporting events in the world. They are open to athletes from nations that were or still are part of the

Now One, Powerful Germans More Than Twice as Good

New York Times Service

HENNEF, Germany — Like the German Olympic team itself, Marco Rudolph, the world amateur lightweight champion boxer, is brimming with energy and conlidence.

"I want to win a medal," Rudolph said re-

cently, during a break in training at an Olympic sport center nestled above the Rhine. "It doesn't make a difference which medal. I'm the world champion, so why shouldn't I be optimis-

Germany is sending a united team to the Summer Olympics for the first time since 1964, when it competed under the Olympic flag. Its prospects are bright, with team organizers predicting that Germany will finish third in the final medal count, behind only the United States and the Unified Team representing the nwealth of Independent States.

Combining the Eastern and Western programs has been a difficult process, involving the dismissals of many longtime sports officials from the East. Many young Western trainers, however, have kept their jobs.

"We had to integrate two very different sys-tems," said Ulrich Feldhof, a German Olympic official. "We used the old Western system as

training methods, including biomechanics and scientific monitoring of athleres."

Because so many athletes have moved to new clubs in the two years since German unification, it is difficult to say how many of the 492

thletes in Barcelona originally come from Eastern or Western Germany. Easterners still control rowing, canoeing, and

weight lifting, and Westerners dominate the riding, tennis, and fencing slots. Many other squads are fully mixed. The hoxing squad reflects the power of the national team. It is probably the strongest German team ever assembled, with 6 of the 12 boxers already proven as world champions.

"Anyone of them is capable of winning a

medal," said the coach, Helmut Ranze. Among the likeliest winners is Rudolph, a 22ar-old cook at the newly renovated Branitz Hotel in his hometown of Cottbus. As he answered questions one recent afternoon, he never stopped jumping and sparring, evidently unable to contain his energy.

"There were some power plays between the old federations that wound up burting athletes, but that's fading now," Rudolph said. "On this team, we get along fine. There haven't been any East-West problems."

Rudolph said he was relieved that no member of the Summer Olympic team was revealed disbanded East German secret police force. Several eastern athletes, including a member of the Winter Olympic team, have been exposed as

"I'm glad that didn't happen this time, be-cause it would have bothered me," Rudolph reflected between jabs. "It would have been a

One reminder of the country's long and traumatie division came after a 38-year-old discus thrower, Wolfgang Schmidt, who won a silver medal for East Germany at the Montreal Games in 1976, was denied a spot on this year's team. He threw the qualifying distance at a meet in the United States, but did not reach it at the German trials.

In the early 1980s, Schmidt served a yearlong jail sentence on charges of trying to escape from East Germany, and be returned to competition only after being allowed to emigrate in 1987. Roland Sauer, a member of parliament who specializes in sports-related issues, strongly criticized the decision to leave him off the team.

"In view of the tragic life that Wolfgang Schmidt had for several years," Sauer wrote to Olympie officials, "I think it would be right for the Olympic Committee to review its inhumane decision and name him to the Olympic team." Three German athletes preparing for the

a canocist — lost their places on the national team after failing drug tests.

But the country's most celebrated scandal volved three Eastern women: the champion sprinter Katrin Krabbe and two of her training teammates, Grit Breuer and Silke Möller. All three were considered likely medal winners, but all withdrew from the Barcelona team after a drawn-out public debate over their integrity.

Germany still has medal hopes in women's track and field, including world champion high jumper Heike Henkel, although she has bee troubled by an Achilles tendon injury that flared up again Monday; long jumper Heike Dreschler, and javelin thrower Petra Meier-Felke. Among the men, 5,000-meter runner Dieter Baumann is a likely medalist.

The German cycling squad, building on a tradition of excellence in the East, is expected to bring home as many as seven medals. The fencing team, which by contrast is made up entirely of Westerners, is perhaps the most successful of all German sports.

on. Schmio is one of nine team members who have already won Olympic medals.

to have been an informer for the Stasi, the now- Barcelona Games — a swimmer, a runner, and ly been powerful, and this year's united rowing team will be no exception. One star of the canoe team is Birgii Schmidt, 30, from Potsdam, who burst onto the Olympic scene as a gold medalist in 1980.

German wrestlers have had great success abroad recently, and three - freestyler Andreas Schroeder and Greco-Roman competi-tors Maik Bullmann and Rifat Yildiz — are considered medal favorites.

Germany is also expecting to win medals in riding, shooting, sailing, judo, weight lifting, team handball, and field hockey. The men's basketball team will pin its fortunes on Detlef Schrempf, who plays for the Indiana Pacers of the National Basketball Association.

Perhaps the compeddon that will be watched with the most emotion is tennis, because two of the country's most popular athletes, Steffi Graf and Boris Becker, will be competing. Graf is fresb from triumphs at Wimbledoo and the Federadon Cup and is considered a favorite, but Becker has been struggling recently.

"The whole German team is strong because it was built on two strong foundations," said Robert Felisiak is the world champion, and Wolfgang Ruch, a coach of the Greco-Roman Arnd Schmitt is the reigning Olympic champi-wrestling squad. "Western care and Eastern technology is a good combination. The unification process went fairly well, and the result in Rowers from East Germany have traditional- Barcelona is going to be impressive."

U.S. Routs · France in Basketball

MONTE CARLO .- The U.S. Olympic team staged a clinic in power basketball in routing France, 111-71, here Tuesday night

Chicago Bulls guard Michael Jordan got the star-studded win-ners going after the French, led by forward Stephane Ostrowski, had

in a final timeup for the Olympic

the edge for the first eight minutes. With the Americans trailing, 16-15, Jordan sparked a 16-0 run, and the Americans never looked back. "We got a slow start," said forward Charles Barkley. "But it's not

how you start, it's how you finish." Barkley and Jordan shared scoring honors with 21 points each, while Chris Mullin, the Golden State Warriors forward, added 16. Magic Johnson handed out 11 assists and shared a standing ovation with Prince Ranier and Prince Albert in the royal box at the end of

We're giving people the opportunity to see some beautiful basketball," said Johnson, who scored

the game at a sold-out Louis II

The U.S. team: which arrived in.... Monte Carlo on Sunday for six. wanted to save their Ferrari," said days of final preparation before Barcelona, led by 53-29 at halftime. Georges Adams was the top corer for France with 15 points while Ostrowski had 14 while trad-

ing cibows with Barkley. The French coach, Francis Jordane, was happy with his team's performance despite the lopsided

"We put up a good fight to the end," he said. "We didn't roll over

Utah Jazz point guard John Stockton sat on the U.S. bench but did not play. Stockton is nursing a stress fracture in his right leg.
Boston Celocs forward Larry Bird played 16 minutes but scored only 2 points and seemed to be

moving gingerly. Bird has had back problems this year.
Guards Richard Dacoury, suf-fering from an ankle injury, and Olivier Allinel, who did not report in time, did not suit up for France.

Powell, Drechsler Break **Records for Long Jump But Are Foiled by Wind**

SESTRIERE, Italy - Mike Powell and Heike Drechsler made the longest jumps in history at an international meet Tuesday, but their world records and hopes of winning a Ferrari Testarossa sports car worth about \$200,000 were foiled by a wind blowing above the

limit of two meters per second. All results and measures were wind-aided in this Alpine resort at 2,200 meters (6,600 feet) altitude and this prevented then from winning the top prize of the meet, the Ferrari offered a world mark that went unclaimed for the fourth con-

feet, 6 inches), four centimeters longer than his world record of 8.95 set last year at the world championships in Tokyo last year. Drechsler, a member of the Ger-

"That was unfair. They probably 10 longest women's jumps to her

meters per second when Powell jumped 8.99 meters.

to the U.S. trials, outsprinted teammate Leroy Burrell in the 100-me-

9.98 seconds, his best performance

in the long jump here to show he has recovered in sprints. Lewis still could be given a place in the U.S.

4x100 relay team in Barcelona.

African Olympic team Tuesday, and the IOC said that "it doesn't look like he'll be cleared for these Games."

ed on the list of entries submitted to the IOC by the National Olym-

Powell, who is on the U.S. Olympic team, leaped 8.99 meters (29

man team, jumped 7.63 meters on her fourth attempt, with the wind just, above 2 meters - 2.1. The world record of 7.52 meters was set by Galina Chistiakova of Russia in mingrad in 1988.

The wind was blowing at 4.40

Carl Lewis, recovered from the infection that weakened him prior

Lewis, who failed to qualify for the Olympic sprints in Barcelona, was clocked in a wind-aided time of

Burrell edged another American, Mark Whiterspoon, for second place, in 10.03 seconds. Lewis gave up a duel with Powell

■ Petranoff's Hopes Dim American-born javelin thrower Tom Petranoff was left off the South

Petranoff, the former world record-holder who became a naturalized South African, was not includ-

pic Committee of South Africa. The Petranoff case has split the South African Athletics Association (ASA) on racial lines with one faction nominating him for the Games and the other rejecting him.

But the IOC spokeswoman, Michele Verdier, said in Barcelona that "I do not think Tom Petranoff can qualify for these Games in as much as the South African Olympic Committee, for whom he could qualify, has not included him in its hist of participants."

Petranoff was in Helsinki for a final warmup meet before the Olympics begin. Controversial Sooth African

runner Zola Pieterse kept team officials guessing. Tuesday as they waited for her to decide whether Drechler, who now has seven of the she will take part in the Barcelona. "We haven't heard from her," said the team spokesman, Gabn l'egwanu. "We don't k coming or not"

The South Africans had until duight Tuesday to submit their athletics team for the Olympics. In London, Pieterse, who ran for Britain under her maiden name of Budd, said that a liver complaint had been diagnosed at a London

"Actually the illness is getting better, it's just that I don't know whether I'll be fit enough," Pieterse said after a training run on Hampstead Heath.

When the South African team arrived in Barcelona, Pieterse was a notable absentee. The South African Olympic chief Sam Ramsamy told reporters: "At the moment only one person knows where she is - and that's God and maybe Zola (AP, Reuters)



Mike Powell making his wind-aided long jump of 8.99 meters.

UN Allows Yugoslavs at Games But Bans Team Competition

The Associated Press UNITED NATIONS, New York - A Security Council committee said Tuesday that individual Yugoslavs could participate in the Barcelona Olympics, but banned

team competition, a committee Katsumi Sezaki said the UN committee administering sanctions against Yugoslavia also decided that athletes from Yugoslavia, now consisting only of the republics of Serbia and Montenegro, could not participate in the opening parade

or closing ceremonies. Allegations that Serbia is behind the fighting in the former Yugoslav republies of Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina led the United Nations to impose sanctions on the

country. The Security Council committee said team competition was a violation of the sanctions, which include a ban on participation in interna-

tional sporting events. The decision by the Security Council committee would elimi nate more than half of the 118 athletes that Belgrade had sought to send to Barcelona, including the 21-member water polo team that won a gold medal in the Scoul.

Also eliminated would be women's basketball and men's and

women's handball, and team aspects of some sports, like swim- to individual participation by forming relays. The committee decided that any

group appearance by the athletes would give the clear impression of a Yngoslav team. The International Olympic

Committee had proposed permitting all to participate without Yugoslav uniforms, even in team sports. It said there would be no national flag or anthem and they would be considered part of an independent team. But the committee rejected any group appear-

Sezaki and the UN spokesman Matthew Nerzig later reported the committee's decision but there was no formal announcement

"The committee has no objection mer Yugoslav nationals," said Sezaki, wbo is Japan's deputy permaoent UN representative.

"But any team competitioo should not be allowed," he said, adding that the committee also banned any participation by Yugoslav athletes in opening or closing ceremonies. Nerzig said the committee

banned flags, anthems and joint appearances. lodividuals are to wear plain uniforms, without any

Spain has been informed, he said, "that any athlete who did participate in such team gatherings would be expelled."

A Reel Record for Kiwi Yachtsmen

BARCELONA - New Zealand's yachtsmen have set up the first drinking record of the 1992 Olympic Games: 600 cans of beer in a fraction under two hours. Unlike other athletes who stay off alchobol before big events,

yacht racers from all nations were knocking it back at a party thrown

by the Kiwis on Monday night. We do it every year for the other teams as it helps build up a lot of goodwill," said the New Zealand yachting team's manager, Mike Clark. "You never know when you might need to borrow a screw-

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By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — While waiting for the Democratic Convention to pass like a summer squall, I pondered the birds and the cats. Among the questions pondered was: Why so much emphasis on the hirds and the bees, and so little on the birds and the cats?

amount to much either. That's bettin' in my backyard, no use messing cause Americans today are too so- with Nature's dog-eat-dog, manphisticated to think of love as part eat-man, cat-eat-bird beastliness, of nature's embarrassingly corny and so on.

consumer goods. That's why par-ents who used to tell children, "It's stay out of relationships between time you learned about the birds unhappily married humans. and the bees," now tell them, "It's time you learned about condoms."

Still the "birds-and-bees" metaphor clings to life, like the corner may live on the edge of death, but drugstores and Mom-and-Pop groceries that still survive in a few small towns - and also in big New ful outsider who tries to intervene. York, which is just a patchwork of small towns held together by breathtaking taxes.

Life will be awful when the last Mom-and-Pop, the last corner drugstore and the last parent capable of talking birds-and-bees is each preserved in its separate bubble at the Smithsonian.

Imagine a whole nation doomed to wander in grotesque warehouses, climbing ladders, stooping chin to floor in the hunt for discounts on cheese, shampoo and condoms with their promise of love as a poet ry-free, hygienically sound, aerobic

No birds sing in these Valhalias of consumption. No buzz of bees spoils the tranquil pleasure of cut-rate acquisition. The dominant sound is the robotic murmur of "Have a nice day" issuing, by managerial command no doubt, from

thousands of checkout clerks. I speak of a time when birds and bees will be through, finished, washed up, kaput, clear out your hive and your nest and be out of here before I get back from lunch, ecause it's condom time all over America, you bees and birds.

So what about the birds and the cats? More poetry, alas. As birds and bees speak of love, birds and cats tell of love gone sour. I became interested in this recently when bird people and cat people were

mixing it up in the letters columns

of The Washington Post. Bird-feeding people complained that their bird feeders too often become cat feeders because irresponsible cat people etcetera, etc. The cat people replied etc.,

We all know this argument: Cat Come to think of it, nowadays gotta roam, bird gotta eat, but so the birds and the bees doo't do cat, yeah but better not try ea-

Extensive experience with these To interest modern Americans in love, you must talk hygiene and mans should stay out of bird-cat

> Two miserably married bumans every policeman knows that the deceased is very likely to be the help-

I doubt that either cats or birds might do in a human busybody, although I treat bluejays with the same caution I show people who want to show me their gun collection after the second bottle. Here and there is a cat who

wouldn't hesitate for a moment to finish any of us off if he were tigersized and could find another species willing to let him sit around shedding all over the best settee. But why blame a whole species for the loutishness of a few?

As for cats' bird-killing habit, it may be more civilized than birdlovers suppose, we once nad a cat who brought freshly killed birds into the kitchen and dropped them at our feet to show gratitude for the comforts we provided her.

The subtlety of a cat's motives is not easily understood. We had one who, noticing a crowd of theater people on the lawn one day, leapt into the air, seized a butterfly in his mouth, and as the audience watched in amazement, strolled among us to show off his prize, then stopped, sat up, opened his mouth and let his captive flutter away uninjured. He was a cat who dreamed of a triumph in show biz.

Ignominious cat retreat when dive-bombing winged squadrons established that air was bird's territory, and land was cat's, and the twain were not to meet.

New York Times Service

Russian Voices on Romanovs' Last Days

By Jeffrey A. Frank

Washington Post Service
7ASHINGTON — The execution of WASHINGTON — THE RUSSIA'S imperial family was mysterious even though no one doubted that the Bolsheviks ordered the killings and no one doubted their motive: Bolsheviks, after all,

were happy to do away with Romanovs. But Lenin and his associates lied about the murders, beginning with their insis-tence that the imperial family had been "evacuated to a safe place" after the exe-cution of Czar Nicholas II.

In truth, Nicholas's wife, five teenage children, doctor and three servants had been led to the cellar of the ominously named House of Special Designation. There, in the Ural Mountains city of Ekatermburg, a 12-man execution squad fired

But, oddly enough, the bullets didn't immediately kill all the intended victims; enough jewelry had been sewn into their clothing to allow some of the children to survive the fusillade. Diamond-filled corsets even made it difficult to kill some of the daughters with bayonets. The heir, 14year-old Alexei, a hemophiliac, showed a "strange vitality," by one account, and had to be finished off by more bullets.

Eventually, the bodies were loaded onto a truck, taken to a mine and hacked to pieces before being doused with sulfuric acid and gasoline. Some were burned. That was the end of the Romanovs, but

such images, though they seem very far away, still haunt Russians in much the way images of John F. Kennedy's death haunt Americans. It is the special contribution of the Russian playwright-historian Edvard Radzinsky to have chronicled the last days of the imperial family in gory, mournful detail. His book, "The Last Tsar," was published on Friday, the 74th anniversary of the executions.

At first glance, Radzinsky, 52, seems an unlikely person to write about Russia's last royalty. He is a man of the theater, a child of Jewish intellectuals. He has mildly unkempt red hair and the animation of an actor. He acknowledges that in the late '60s, people wondered about his interest, even though he was a playwright drawn to historical subjects. "They decided I was a little bit crazy," he says, "because a book about Nicholas in a communist country is possible only for a crazy man or a man who has too much time

On an early trip to the Central Archives of the October Revolution, he was given the 50 volumes of Nicholas's diary, which were began when he was 14 and continued until three days before his death, 36 years later. "I immediately understood him," says Radzinsky. "I immediately understood he was a typical Chekhov hero. He became



Edvard Radzinsky (inset); Nicholas and Alexandra surrounded by their children.

His browsing became more fruitful as the glasnost era arrived. Among his discoveries was a document not yet seen by independent researchers: a firsthand account by the commander of the execution

squad, Yakov Yurovsky. In late 1989, Radzinsky published Yurovsky's testimony in the magazine Ogon-yok, and for the first time Russians learned about the demise of their last monarch in language like this: "The detachment had been told beforehand who was to shoot whom, and they had been ordered to aim straight for the heart, to avoid excessive quantities of blood and get it over with quickly."

In that objective, the executioners failed. There was a lot of blood, and Radzinsky's impressionistic, sometimes jittery accumulation of new documentation includes much disturbing detail: "The blood was gushing out.... The heir was still alive and moaning," is the testimony of Pavel Medvedey, one of the executioners. Yurovsky walked over to him and shot him two or three times at point-blank range. The heir fell still. The scene made

me want to vomit." And from another member of the firing

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squad, Alexander Strekotin: "When they laid one of the daughters on the stretcher she cried out and covered her face with her

Radzinsky says he wrote about the Romanovs "because it's a fantastic lesson for Russia. The situation before and after the February [1917] revolution is absolutely

sian president, is no Nicholas, though "Yeltsin has the face of a Russian czar."

arm. The others also turned out to be alive. We couldn't shoot anymore, with the open doors, the shots could have been heard on the street. . . . [Peter] Ermakov took my bayonet from me and started stabbing everyone dead who had turned out to be

the contemporary situation in Russia to-day. There is still hatred for authorities, the same horror of hunger, the same disorder and so on. It's the same situation. When he is pressed a bit on that analogy, be retreats. Boris N. Yeltsin, the Rus-

And former leader Mikhail S, Gorbachev? For Radzinsky, Gorbachev was Alexander F. Kerensky, the leader of the provisional government to whom Nicholas actually abdicated. Kerensky was deposed by the Bolsheviks in November 1917, at which point Nicholas was doomed.

For children of the Russian Revolution, the truth from the graves of the Romanovs inevitably includes the truth about the man Radzinsky calls "our sainted Mr. Lenin," namely that it was Lenin who gave the order to kill the imperial family. As recently as 1990, Soviet officials were insisting that the orders were issued by the local soviet.

Radzinsky is fond of unanswered questions, such as the identity of the Berlin woman who 70 years ago announced that she was the Grand Duchess Anastasia. In "The Last Tsar," he even introduces dubious testimony about someone who in 1947 claimed to be Alexei. Does he really believe someone could have survived the execution?

"If someone asks if it was possible for two of the Romanovs to have survived the execution, I say: 'Not impossible,' " But he confesses that he speaks more as a playwright than a historian. The playwright insists that the bones of only nine bodies have been recovered in the burial pit 20 kilometers (12 miles) from Eksterinburg; the historian acknowledges that the bones

of the other two might have been lost. Radzinsky is most intrigued by the idea that there is photographic evidence of the executions. "Yurovsky was a professional photographer," he says. "He confiscated a camera from the czarina. It was impossible for him to take pictures immediately after the execution. He was a little bit crazy, they continued to be alive, they continued to kill them. But afterwards, he had three days. He had an opportunity to take a camera to the grave. It is impossible for a man who likes ictures not to take such pictures."

And there is this: Who actually killed the last czar of all the Russias? There are three historical claimants, and three guns, all of which are the property of the Museum of the Revolution in Moscow. Rad-zinsky says the czar's killer was undoubt-edly a man named Mikhail Medvedev. It would have been a great honor.

Robert K. Massie, whose "Nicholas and Alexandra" was a popular success a quarter-century ago, says, "Radzinsky did a lot of work, he dug up a lot of that stuff, and I found it interesting." Massic also says, "It's not a coherent historical narrative. It's sort of an episodic blip here and there, in which the author makes himself a character."

Massie, though, is annoyed that the book's editor at Doubleday, Jacqueline Onassis, sent him the Radzinsky book in hopes of getting a blurb. He recalls ber letter saying. This is a book that I think will stand as the definitive account of the fall of the House of Romanov." To which Massie says, "At the moment, my book has sold about 3 million copies and has never been taken apart."

PEOPLE

Moscow Real Estate:

Solzhenitsyns Stumped Finding the right house in Moscow isn't all that easy, the Solzhenitsyns are discovering. Natalia, the wife of the exiled writer Alexander Solzhemitsyn, has yet to come up with anything after two months of pounding the pavements. "I was supposed to find us a place to live," she was quoted as telling the Trud newspaper. But I did not succeed, so I will have to come back before our final move." Solzhenitsyn, 74, who has been living in Vermont for most of the last 18 years, is eager to return to Russia, his wife said. She added, "When we return, we will

offer ()ffer

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Hendrik Hertzberg, who was once a staff writer at The New Yorker, is coming back as executive editor. Tina Brown, the magazine's new editor in chief, has not yet spelled out his duties, however. Hertzberg, 48, was editor of The New Republic from 1981 to 1985 and from 1988 to 1991.

stay here for good."

Svivester Stallone had to have nine stitches to close a deep gash in his right hand after he injured him-self during the filming of "Cliff-hanger" in Italy. But true to his macho "Rambo" image, the actor was back at work 90 minutes later. Stallone, who does most of his own stunts, was hurt on a studio stage while climbing atop a helicopter supposedly dangling upside-down over a cliff.

Leona Helmsley, the New York half a day to be with her husband. Harry, 83, while he underwent emergency surgery. She was escorted by two guards who were required to keep her in sight at all times.

Recipients of this year's National Medal of Arts are opera singer Marilyn Horne, actor James Earl Jones, country performer Minnie Pearl, sculptor Allan Houser, television producer Robert Saudek, banjo player Earl Scruggs, choral director Robert Shaw, jazz pianist Billy Taylor, architects Robert Venturi and Denise Scott Brown of Philadelphia, film director Robert Wise, AT&T and the Lila Wallace Reader's Digest Fund. The awards will be presented by President George Bush at a White House ceremony on Wednesday.

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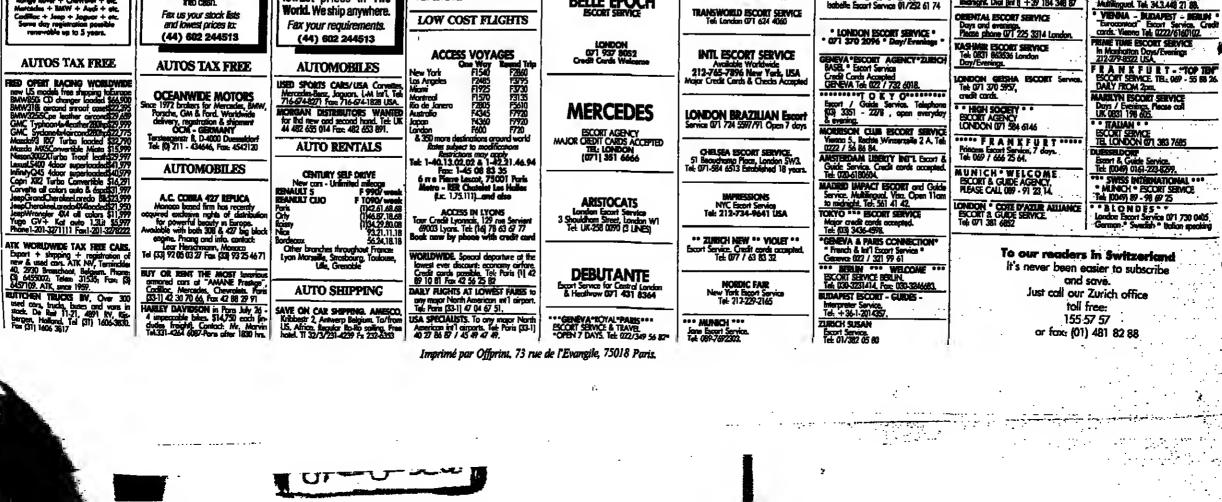
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